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A HAPPY CHANUKAH FROM THE MOUSEKEWITZ FAMILY

Fievel Mousekewitz and his family gather in the New York backlot area at Universal Studios Florida to welcome Chanukah's arrival with the traditional lighting of the Chanukiah as part of Universal's "Hollywood Holidays" month-long celebration. Shown with Fievel are Mama, Papa and sister Tanya Mousekewitz, stars of the hit films *An American Tail* and *An American Tail: Fievel Goes West*. [1992 Universal Studios Florida photo]

Chanukah easier in Somalia for Jewish soldiers

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

Chanukah menorahs, candles, yarmulkes and other ritual provisions for Jewish soldiers were on their way to Somalia last week as American forces began Operation Restore Hope to aid the people of the war-torn, famine-stricken African country.

Beyond these special supplies, however, Jewish troops will not be singled out by military regulations the way their practices were in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War.

In that operation, the U.S. military cautioned the troops to refrain from "ostentatious" displays of religious artifacts, affiliation and practice so as not to "offend their Saudi hosts," who were Muslim.

Troops were advised against wearing Stars of David or crosses and told not to display menorahs or Christmas trees in the vicinity of the Saudis.

"We asked them to be low-key," said a military spokesman. "We didn't want them marching in a Christmas parade and singing Christmas carols."

While Somalia is also a Muslim country, special guidelines were not deemed necessary.

"The needs are different there, and the circumstances are different," the spokesman said. For one, "there is no organization there, secular or religious."

In any case, he added, the Saudi situation was the exception. He pointed to Turkey, also Muslim, where U.S. troops are not issued special directives governing religious practice.

Rabbi David Lapp, director of JWB Jewish Chaplains Council in New York, which shipped the Chanukah supplies, said "there is no feel yet" as to how many Jewish personnel will be deployed.

The initial shipment will provide enough prayer and holiday supplies for 100 people. It also will contain some kosher food.

A Jewish chaplain has been tapped to accompany the troops, added Lapp, whose council is under the auspices of the Jewish Community Centers Association of North America.

Rabbi Matthew Simon, incoming chairman of the council, said, "We don't always know where the Jews are" in the military.

In this case, however, the council knows there are Jewish personnel among the troops slated to go to Somalia from the Army's Fort Drum in New York state and the Marines' Camp Pendleton in California.

He said there are also Jewish medical personnel on standby on a hospital ship.

Simon, who is religious leader of B'nai Israel Congregation in Rockville, Md., said the council sprang into action "as soon as we heard the troops would be sent.

"We want to make sure the provisions await the arrival of the troops," he said.

Rabbi Abraham Avrech, the council's outgoing chairman, said plans are under way to ensure that adequate supplies will be on hand for Purim and Passover, should they be required.

Meanwhile, Israel has dispatched humanitarian aid to Somalia, even though it has no diplomatic relations with the Jewish state and has been openly hostile to it in the past.

Israel's ambassador to the United Nations, Gad Ya'acobi, informed U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali that the Jewish state has so far sent Somalia equipment for constructing tents to house 20,000 people, as well as food, medicine, doctors and other medical personnel.

Ya'acobi emphasized that Somalia is but one of the Muslim countries to which Israel is currently extending aid. The Israeli government has also sent food and medicine to aid refugees in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

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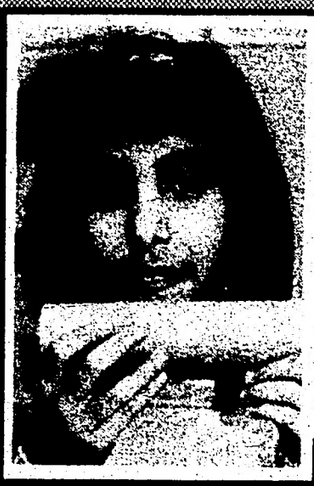

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Lastman family faces racist slurs over flag-raising

By RON CSILLAG

Mayor Mel Lastman

TORONTO —

North York Mayor Mel Lastman says he and his 81-year-old mother have been targets of anti-Semitic slurs as a result of the recent Macedonian flag-raising controversy.

"The word 'Jew' kept coming up" in telephone calls to Lastman and his mother, the mayor told *The CJN* last week.

"The calls are crazy. They phoned my mother at 5 in the morning. What's being Jewish got to do with it and what's my mother got to do with it?"

Lastman said his son also received some anti-Semitic calls.

Some of the calls actually came before the attempt by Macedonian-Canadians to raise the flag of newly-independent Macedonia in Mel Lastman Square on Dec. 6, Lastman said.

A melee broke out among those attending the ceremony when rival Macedonians — about 2,000 of Greek heritage and 1,000 of Slavic origin — clashed in a riot of fist-swinging, spitting, garbage-throwing and name-calling.

Riot police and horseback units were called in to separate the two sides. No charges were laid and only minor injuries reported.

The flag was never raised.

Lastman said anonymous callers after the incident referred to North York's "Jewish mayor" and asked whether he would allow the Palestinian flag to be raised over the city.

The mayor said he has not reported the calls to B'nai Brith Canada or Canadian Jewish Congress "because I don't want to start world war three."

Lastman says he's also had calls from Greek-Canadians apologizing for their brawl with Macedonian-Canadians.

"I thought I saw hate before, but I saw real hate [at the ceremony]," Lastman remarked. "Their eyes were bulging. They were swearing. I can still see their faces."

But Lastman defended his decision to allow the flag-raising, despite the threats preceeding it or the riot that ensued.

"I can't be ruled by a mob. A mob is not going to make me change my mind," said Lastman, who received two kicks to his shin from rioters, resulting in a large welt. The mayor had to be escorted to safety by police.

He said "only five percent" of those attending the ceremony were from North York.

The rest, he charges, were from other parts of Metro, southern Ontario and northern New York state.

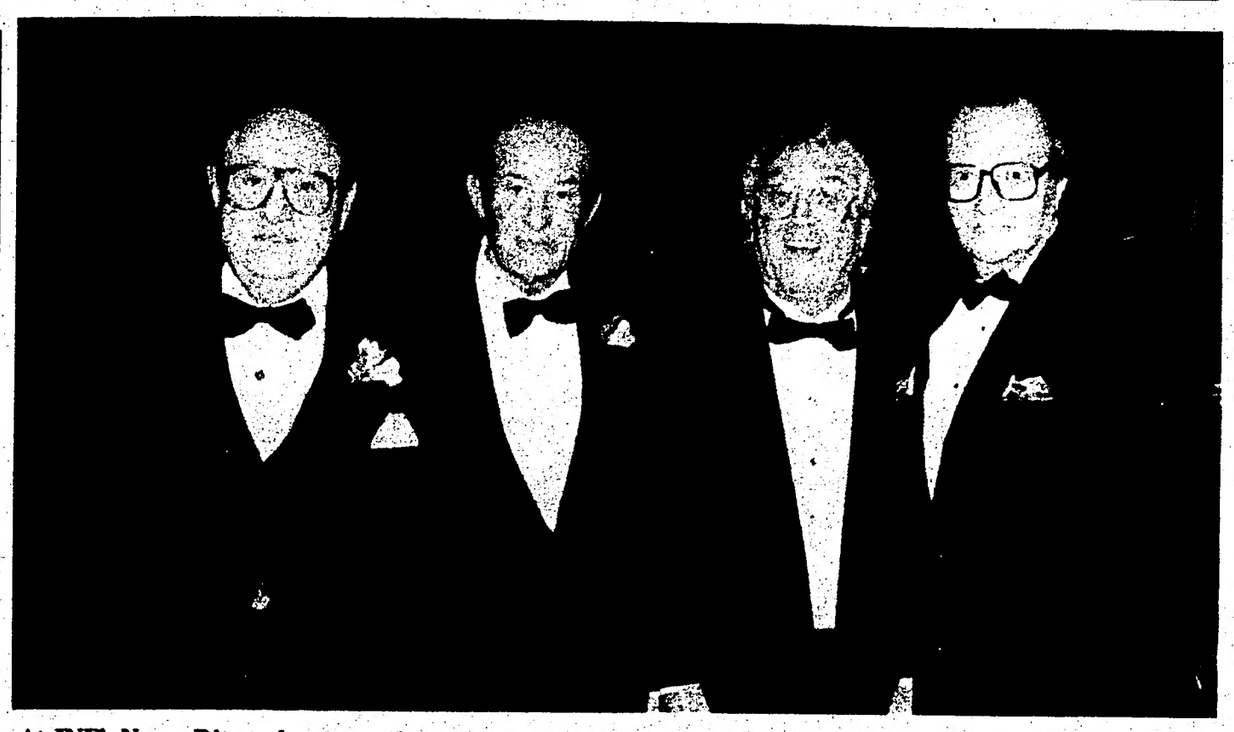
The brawl was a local outbreak of a long-simmering dispute between the new republic of Macedonia, which declared independence from the former Yugoslavia, and Greece, which has a province named Macedonia. The dispute is over which side has the right to use the name Macedonia and claim its heritage.

The world community has withheld recognition of the new nation of Macedonia, largely because of pressure from Greece.

On Dec. 1, Ottawa issued a directive recommending that the Macedonian flag not be raised publicly. North York says it did not receive the memo.

Later, North York issued a disclaimer saying that in allowing the ceremony, the city did not necessarily support the new republic.

Lastman says he will refer the matter to the city's race relations committee, ironically, only a few days after he announced that the committee will be scaled down, brought under municipal control and have its budget chopped (see story, page 19).



At JNF's Negev Dinner honorees (from left) Lewis Moses, Nathan Hurwich and Albert Mandel are seen with guest speaker Larry King. See story page 30.

Chaplaincy funds reduced

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

A $10,000 budget cut has forced Jewish Family and Child Service (JF & CS) to eliminate the honoraria paid to the two rabbis who serve as hospital chaplains at the Toronto Hospital and Riverdale and Sunnybrook hospitals. The cut in funding, which originates from the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, represents a small percentage of the $154,393 spent on the chaplaincy program in 1991.

Rabbi Barry Schneider, at Sunnybrook, and Rabbi Abraham D. Feffer are continuing as chaplains on a volunteer basis. "They were paid to connect with, spend time with and provide pastoral counselling to Jewish people in these facilities," said Gordon Wolfe, executive director of JF & CS. "Now, thanks to the fact that they are continuing to do it on a volunteer basis, there really hasn't been a cut in service," he said, adding that the organization is very grateful for their help.

Rabbi Feffer, a retired congregational rabbi, was very disappointed to learn of the cutback, he told *The CJN*, but "if we don't sacrifice a little, who will?" he asked. "We have to set an example." He has reduced his hospital hours slightly since the cutback became effective Sept. 1, to devote more attention to other matters.

Rabbi Schneider stressed the importance of having a trained chaplain to serve the needs of those in hospital. "The question is, do we have an obligation as a community to serve their needs?" asks Rabbi Schneider, adding that roughly half the Jewish community is not affiliated with a synagogue.

Some people don't understand that the needs of Jewish patients don't stop at kosher food and candles for Shabbat and holidays, said Rabbi Schneider. The person who is dying, facing surgery, or being told that a family member is on life support, needs specialized counselling, he explained.

"These are tough times," said Wolfe. JF & CS has been seeking alternative sources of funding, without success, he said, noting that the chaplaincy budget had not increased to reflect rising costs over the past couple of years.

Recently Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg, co-ordinator of the chaplaincy program, participated in a ceremony in which he was one of 26 chaplains to sign a memorandum of agreement with the Ontario government reaffirming the province's support for spiritual and religious care to those in government institutions. "It's possible that there will be additional funding for Jewish chaplains somewhere along the line," said Rabbi Steinberg cautiously.

Mount Sinai Hospital and Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care each have a Jewish chaplain on staff, because they are Jewish facilities, explained Wolfe. For other hospitals to fund Jewish chaplains is more problematic because of the relatively small percentage of Jewish patients.

"It's not just chaplaincy that's been cut," said Wolfe, citing Jewish education as one of the many other areas suffering because of the economy. He did note one area of budgetary increase, which occurred both despite the recession and because of it: JF & CS's financial assistance program, budgeted at over $1 million, was increased to meet the needs of the Jewish poor.

Rabbi invests award money in Israel Bonds

In our article of Dec. 3 entitled *Adath Israel, Bayt top shuls in Bonds holiday campaign*, we reported that Rabbi Steven Saltzman of the Adath Israel Congregation had won a free trip to Israel. This trip was awarded to the rabbi whose congregation had the most dramatic increase in pledges for Israel Bonds during the traditional High Holy Day Appeal. Rabbi Saltzman had asked that the Bonds Office take whatever monies were going to be awarded for his trip and have that sum invested in an Israel Bond in honor of his congregation.

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Ottawa Jewish community sees rise in hate materials

By MIRIAM SOBEL

OTTAWA —

Police in Ottawa are investigating a hate mail blitz aimed at the Jewish community and minority support agencies in Ottawa.

On Dec. 1, the Jewish Community Council, the Chevra Kadisha, the day school, and every synagogue in Ottawa, received identical envelopes. They contained a white supremacist newspaper flyer and a handful of stickers printed with a swastika and a racist slogan.

The material was also sent to non-Jewish organizations including the National Capital Alliance on Race Relations and Ottawa-Carleton Immigration Services.

In addition, packets were mailed to several media in the city. Besides the hate literature, they were given a list of 14 organizations that had been sent the hate mail.

Later that night, anti-Semitic stickers were stuck on the doors of several Jewish-owned businesses in Ottawa's Byward Market, a busy farmer's market and tourist shopping area near Parliament Hill. Zunder's Fruitland, Saslove's, and Irving Rivers each had a single anti-Semitic sticker attached to the front door.

The material had been mailed from Hull, across the river from Ottawa. It was printed in Lincoln, Nebraska by a neo-Nazi group called NSDAP. The initials stand for the German name of the Nazi party. Literature from the NSDAP is classified as hate propaganda and is illegal in Canada.

Both the racist stickers included in the mailed packages and the anti-Semitic ones attached to Byward market businesses, had the initials NSDAP printed under the slogans.

Ruth Kehane, community relations director for the Jewish Community Council, said the mailing was probably a publicity stunt staged by a small group of skinheads. She said they clearly tipped off the media so jounalists would contact the groups that received the mail and give the story a lot of attention.

"We see it as the work of a small group of skinhead youth who want to proclaim that they are active," she said.

Most of the material in the package had an anti-black message, she said. None of it was anti-Semitic.

Dr. Maureen Molot, president of the Jewish Community Council, said although it was disturbing to get hate mail, the community did not want to sensationalize the incident. There were no direct threats, she said, so they will "take it calmly and move along." She said the community is co-operating with police on the case.

Ottawa Constable Dan Dunlop, who is responsible for investigating hate groups, said the incident probably doesn't mean neo-Nazis are becoming more active in Ottawa. He said racist activity is difficult to measure; it depends on how many people report the crimes to the police.

He believes vulnerable groups, sensitized by anti-refugee activity in Europe, are more likely to report racist incidents to police now than they would have been a year ago. But that doesn't mean the level of hate crime is increasing.

There is no reason for the Jewish community to panic about the incident, he said. The important thing, he stressed, was to keep track of similar incidents.

Ian Kagedan, government relations officer for B'nai Brith, said while the mailing may not signal an increase in the number of neo-Nazi groups in the area, it does show they are stepping up their activity after a quiet year.

He said white supremacists in the area have generally been directing their invective against racial minorities. This is the first widespread incident aimed largely at the Jewish community, he said.

While he agrees the mailing was a publicity stunt, he says that should not deter the media from reporting it.

"We can use their own drive for publicity against them by using [it] to inform people about what's going on," he said.

He said it is critical to show the public that blatant racist and anti-Semitic activity goes on "in our backyard," and isn't a problem seen only in Europe. He is confident that a public informed about racism will mobilize to fight it.

Dalhousie Jews feel racism

By JOEL JACOBSON

HALIFAX —

Jewish students at Dalhousie are concerned that another minority campus group is developing its anti-racism feeling into hate for Jews on campus.

Jon Mendelson, co-chair of the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Students Federation (APJSF), said in an interview that the Black United Students of Delhousie intentionally misinterpreted his answers to questions about Judaism and Zionism and turned what he considered intelligent comment into a hateful and somewhat confrontational situation.

"During the first week of classes in September, (APJSF co-chair) Timna Gerber and I set up a booth to meet new Jewish students on campus. Several black students came by and asked us the difference between Judaism and Zionism. We told them Judaism was a religion and Zionism a political movement, yet they continued to bother us. They asked whether Jesus was black or white, and if the first Jews were black because of their Middle Eastern heritage.

"They finally admitted they were from the Black United Students and sympathized with Palestinians because they were the 'blacks of Israel and were being oppressed by Israelis, the white government.'

"We refused to comment because the APJSF purpose is to attract Jewish students, not to create conflict," said Mendleson.

He said he was later pointed out, in the cafeteria, by one of the black students as a "dirty Jew, loud enough that I could hear the comment and could read his lips saying it," said Mendleson.

He called Network, the national Jewish student's federation, to ask advice but was told nothing could be done unless the situation escalated. Mendleson also contacted Bernie Farber of the Canadian Jewish Congress but heard nothing back.

"This is happening in a small community. What can we do about it?" asked Mendleson. "As students, we have to prepare ourselves to ensure we don't become a target of one minority backing another."

He said he has not spoken to any officials at Dalhousie University. ("I didn't really know who to approach") but wanted to get answers from Jewish national groups.

All of this took place in September and early October but, Mendleson said, nothing has happened since "to any of our students as far as I know.

"But the whole affair is a shock to me. I thought going to university with more mature and educated individuals, this would stop," he said.

Racist group sets up in Surrey

By MAURICE LUCOW

VANCOUVER —

Although the council of Surrey, a Vancouver suburb, has declared itself a "racism-free" zone, the white supremacist Aryan Resistance Movement of British Columbia has set up headquarters there.

In a story in the *Vancouver Sun*, Harold Munro, who covers the Surrey beat, reports that Greg James, 21, has moved headquarters from Vancouver to capitalize on what he says is a wave of teenage recruits in Surrey.

According to the *Sun* story, James is a self-proclaimed racist who says youth "plays a critical role in his vision of a Canada with self-rule for whites."

James is reported as saying his organization is funded by about 20 hard-core members "with dozens of supporters at schools and in B.C. communities distributing leaflets."

Attracting suburban youngsters with the help of school-age members is the movement's major focus, James says. "We teach youth to be proud of their race and their white culture," he added.

Munro says in his story that James wants students to be taught about Hitler or the founders of the U.S. Nazi party. "I admire Hitler," he told the *Sun*. "He was one of the last people to stand up for the white race." James has a photo of Hitler in his living room.

The movement was started in Europe about 10 years ago and has chapters across Canada. The first Canadian chapter was in Mission, B.C., in the interior. James told the *Sun* the original founders are no longer involved but claims membership is on the rise since the operation was moved to Surrey.

Surrey became a "racism-free" zone in November, on the suggestion of Councillor Judy Higginbotham, who said she hopes the idea will prompt more people to report incidents of racial intolerance.

Higginbotham intends to award racism-free certificates to Surrey residents who work to encourage multiculturalism in the municipality.

The Lubavitcher opened a branch in Surrey early this year.

Higginbotham says too many people are turning a blind eye to racism. "The whole idea of racism-free is to educate people and find out what types of racism are occurring in our community."

Charan Gill, of the B.C. Organization to Fight Racism, says racial hatred can't be run out of town merely with political pronouncements. Meanwhile, the Surrey RCMP said they are aware of the Ssurrey-based group and are monitoring its activities.

Erwin Nest, executive director of the Pacific region of Canadian Jewish Congress, told *The CJN* he wasn't quite sure what a racism-free zone means and how it would work.

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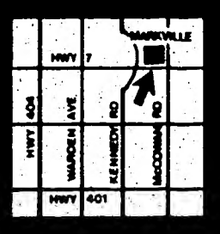

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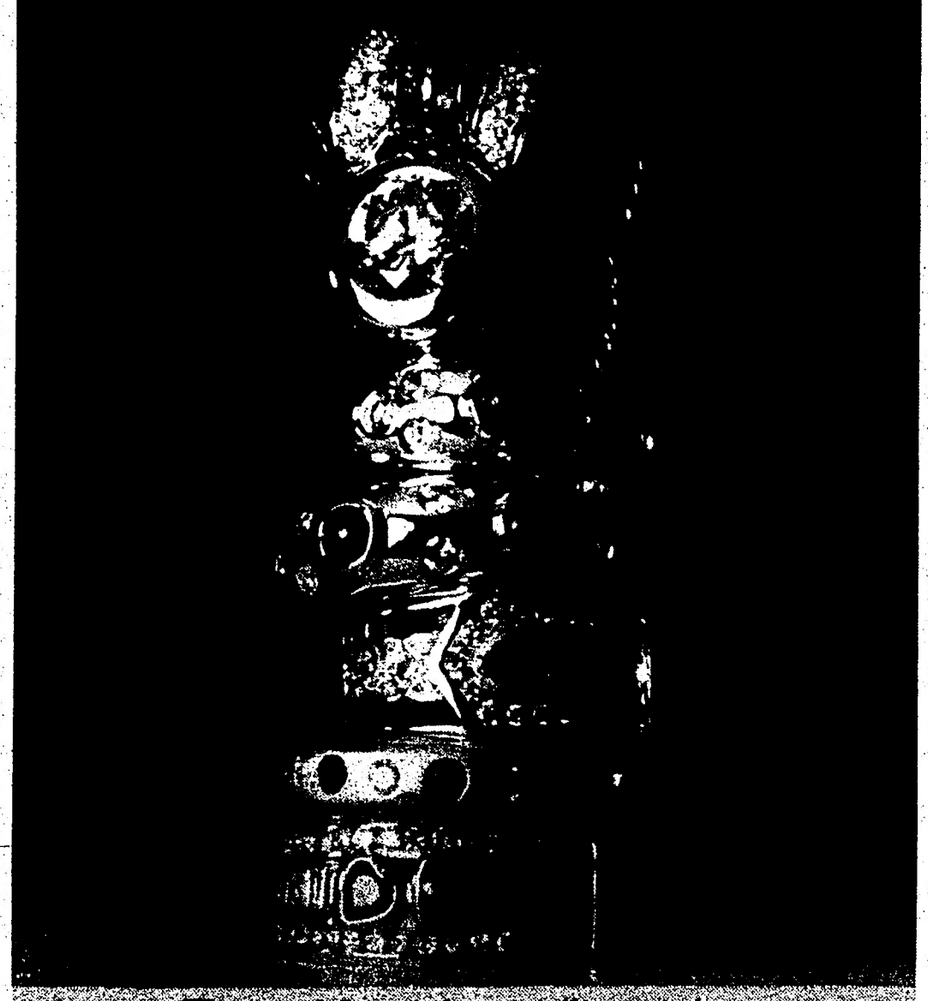

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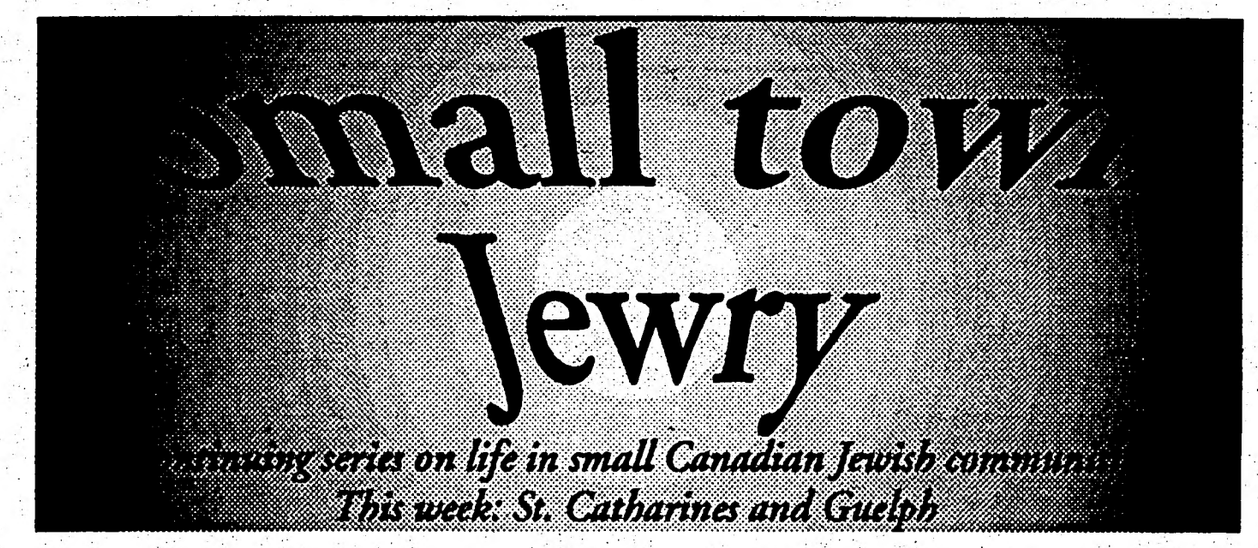

By IDELE ROSS

ST. CATHARINES —

The picturesque town is right out of a Canadian promotional brochure with its perfectly landscaped homes, miles of woodlands and pastures tucked under the Niagara Escarpment, and even a river that flows through the charming downtown district.

Smalltown, Ontario — Niagara's Garden City of 120,000 people whose fate is tied to the ebb and flow of the Welland Ship Canal as wel' as the automotive industry and agriculture. So too have the livelihoods of the Jewish community here always depended on the rise and fall of the local economy, apparent today in the many empty stores once owned by Jewish people, some of whom settled in the Niagara region as early as 1905.

One of the first to arrive was Jacob Cooperman, a grain merchant from Odessa, hired on to complete the minyan and teach Hebrew school. "When he saw he couldn't make a living at it, he opened a dry goods store," smiles son Bernie, a retired businessman and former St. Catharines alderman.

Even though more Jewish families settled in St. Catharines during the '50s, '60' and '70s, the nucleus was formed by Jewish immigrants from Eastern Europe, including Hungarian and Czech refugees who took up poultry farming in the Niagara peninsula.

Educator Howard Slepkov is past president of Congregation B'nai Israel and on the regional board of the Canadian Jewish Congress. He is also a third-generation Slepkov in St. Catharines.

"My grandfather Morris was an apprentice tailor when he came to North America from Kiev. He came to St. Catharines because he had a cousin with property who invited him to open a store here, which he did. The economic boom of those early years drew many families here from Toronto. Business opportunities brought relatives and friends. It's still happening — everyone is connected through blood or marriage."

Cooperman notes that the St. Catharines Jewish community went from grain merchants and rag pedlars to doctors and lawyers, industrialists, teachers and accountants in a relatively short time. The 300 families support a Conservative and Reform congregation; an Hadassah-WIZO chapter drawing women from all over Niagara — including many who are not affiliated with either B'nai Israel or Temple Tikvah — and a small USY group.

"And," he adds proudly, "we've always had a kosher butcher in town. I know because my father used to pitch in and I'd go to the slaughter house with him. Look at London, a community five times bigger than us and they don't have what we have."

The prosperity in the Niagara region was reflected in the way the Jewish community developed, growing from a struggling minyan in a a rented room to Congregation B'nai Israel in 1917. "In those days," Cooperman says, "financing a building must have been a major undertaking for a group of only 25 families."

By 1923, it was clear the community was growing, so a proper synagogue was built on the corner of Church and Calvin Sreets, where it stands today. A small community centre and Hebrew school were added on in the '50s. "I remember the move in 1925 very clearly," says the 80-year-old Cooperman, because I had the last bat mitzvah in the old building."

He has other memories too. As a teenager he was refused membership in the city's only tennis club. The reason? "I was Jewish and my best friend, a member, was not. But I got in because a respected member, a doctor, intervened on my behalf. It was the same way at the golf club which did not open its doors to the Jewish community until after the war. That's when a lot of these policies changed."

Slepkov is concerned about some other changes; ones he thinks are not so positive. "I'm worried about sustaining the level of functioning and involvement among the Jewish community. In many ways the community is growing, at least in numbers, but synagogue attendance and participation in other activities is dwindling."

The former USY advisor and Young Judaea member says that without a long-term plan, similar to those of boards of education and hospitals, the congregation may not be able to survive.

"The fourth generation of Canadian Jews are offspring of the baby boomers, more concerned about tennis, ballet, scouts and conspicuous consumption. Jewish identity is not important to their parents and, in my opinion, the Jewish establishment is not dealing with it," laments Slepkov. "For example, Young Judaea, which educated my generation in Zionism and linked small town Jewish communities, has faded out completely here and USY membership is down."

Slepkov emphasized that this is happening all over Ontario, not just in St. Catharines. Cooperman also admits that the synagogue had better participation when the community was smaller because services were part of the previous generation's routine. And, noted Slepkov, the synhagogue was necessary as an entity around which Jews coalesced even if they were not Orthodox.

"The heart of the minyan today are the Holocaust survivors. They are our Jewish identity. What will happen after they are gone?" Slepkov ponders.

But Cooperman prefers to be optimistic: "We are as committed to the non-Jewish community as to the synagogue," he claims, with himself founder of the municipal library. "You will find Jewish people in local politics, serving on the hospital board and in many services and fraternal organizations. We are a group recognized for its service to the city. Even the golf club has had Jewish members on its board."

Guelph maintains Jewish presence

By BEN ROSE

GUELPH —

Though Jewish communities in many Ontario cities have dwindled or disappeared, Guelph is an exception to the rule.

Its 65 families is as large a group, or even slightly larger, than Guelph has had since the first Jews settled here at the turn of the century.

In fact, seven families from Toronto have moved here in the last few years and Michael Sobol, a professor of psychology at the University of Guelph, who is president of Beth Isiah Congregation, says the community would welcome more with open arms.

Over the years the nature of the community has changed. It used to be that everyone had his own business. Today there are only four Jewish merchants, a clothier, a classical music store, a gas station, a car wash, while the rest earn their living as professors, teachers, lawyers, doctors, dentists and as blue collar workers.

It was in 1949 that Beth Isiah, the hub around which the community revolves, was built, dedicated to Sidney Acker, who was killed in World War II, and to Henry Wolfond, an original member. It replaced the original shul which was in a house on the same property, and was moved down the street where it has been converted to two apartments.

In the early days, the members of Beth Isiah left their horses and wagons at home and walked a short distance to shul as all lived close by. Perhaps as a salute to those old days, the shul still has no parking lot although some members drive a considerable distance and must park on the streets.

"I was only four years old when I had to go to cheder at the shul because my older brother would not go without me," said longtime resident Sarah (Brown) Tannenbaum. "As a reward, Rabbi Burak gave me a nickel each day."

The Hebrew school (four hours a week) and the Sunday school involving a total of 45 children is still a vital part of the community's life.

Goldie Barth, a relative newcomer to the community, though she has been president of Hadassah, says Guelph is an ideal place to give children a strong sense of Jewish identity. Its location only an hour's drive from Toronto is a plus, she says. The Guelph synagogue has members who live in Elora, Salem and Fergus.

For Sobol, the shul's president, one of the challenges is to provide a religious umbrella over a membership with widely diversified backgrounds, or as he put it, half in jest, "from the *frum* (orthodox) to the devoutly atheistic."

In the same good-humored spirit, Barth added: "Our rabbi is Orthodox, our congregation is Conservative and our members lean to Reform."

Women and men have been sitting together at Beth Isiah for at least 25 years.

The shul president, who is a product of small-town Ontario himself, says it is easier to be a Jew in Guelph than in Toronto. "Here you can't escape from your identity as a Jew," he said. "In Toronto you can hide, or you can express your Jewishness in eating a corn beef sandwich. Here there are no corn beef sandwiches."

The Guelph Jewish community has been able to arrange that Jewish children do not need to listen to Christmas carols in their public schools, he said proudly.

One advantage for Jewish children in Guelph is that they learn about the non-Jewish world which does not happen in many areas of Jewish Toronto, he said.

Added Barth: "We used to worry about marriage with non-Jews in small communities but from what we hear about Toronto we have less of a problem here."

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Artist Judith Spetter leads an arts-integrated program which is funded at the school for three years by the Endowment Fund of United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto. Teachers Gittie Brumer and Yona Gerstl assisted with the marionette projects.

Supreme Court to hear appeal in Finta case

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
The Supreme Court of Canada will hear an appeal in the case involving accused war criminal Imre Finta.

The High Court last week granted the Crown's request that it review a judgment of the Ontario Court of Appeal, which in a 3-2 decision upheld Finta's acquittal on eight counts of war crimes and crimes against humanity.

The Supreme Court will also consider an appeal by Finta, a former Hungarian gendarmerie captain, who is challenging the constitutionality of the war crimes legislation.

B'nai Brith spokesman Ian Kagedan applauded the court's decision to hear the case. "The main thing is that, in going to the Supreme Court, there will be once and for all a definitive statement as to the validity of the law," he said.

Canadian Jewish Congress also expressed satisfaction at the decision of the Supreme Court to hear the case. "The Crown has cited no less than 36 errors in law made by the trial judge," Congress spokesman Milton Harris said. "Congress believes in the validity of the war crimes legislation, which has been upheld by both the Ontario Supreme Court and the Ontario Court of Appeal."

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Former Yugoslav faces war crimes charge

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A former Yugoslav police officer stationed in Belgrade during World War II last week became the fourth person charged under Canada's war crimes legislation.

Radislav Grujicic, also know as Marko Jankovic, was charged with 10 counts of murder, with conspiracy to murder and with conspiracy to kidnap, between June 22, 1941 and Oct. 1, 1944. The charges allege that Grujicic's victims were communists and their sympathizers.

Grujicic, 81, appeared in a Windsor court with legal aid duty counsel last week. The case was remanded until Jan. 8 when he is to appear again.

Ivan Whitehall, chief general counsel for the Justice Department, said he expects the court at that time will set Feb. 5 as the date on which it will next convene. The February court date will likely be used to fix a later date for jury selection as well as for a pre-trial hearing in which various legal issues related to the case will be argued.

Whitehall, who represented the Government of Canada at the Deschenes Commission into war crimes, would not indicate whether he would seek permission to travel abroad to obtain commission evidence.

A Toronto court in the Imre Finta war crimes trial permitted that procedure though an Ottawa judge in the Michael Pawlawski case refused to allow a commission to travel to the Soviet Union. The Crown subsequently dropped the charges in that case.

Jewish organizations commended the government for bringing the charges against Grujicic. "After a frustrating interval of close to three years with no fresh indictments it is reassuring to have tangible evidence that the government is still committed to the process of bringing war criminals in Canada to justice," said Milton Harris, chair of Canadian Jewish Congress' war crimes committee.

"This gives us cause for renewed hope that we will shortly see action on some of the other priority cases of Nazi war criminals living in Canada."

Ian Kagedan of B'nai Brith said, "We are pleased that charges have been laid, but our expectation is that this will not be a rare event and we will see many more charges coming forward."

Unlike the three previous criminal cases launched by the Justice Department's war crimes section, none of the victims in the Grujicic case are specified as being Jewish.

The preferred indictment describes Grujicic as "a senior member of Section IV of the Belgrade Special Police [who] participated in the classification of persons suspected of communist activities, ideology or sympathy by detecting, arresting, interrogating or classifying persons so suspected, resulting in their being killed."

Other sections of the indictment specify individuals allegedly murdered by Grujicic. One section alleges that Grujicic, on or about May 25, 1943, "as a senior member of Section IV of the Belgrade Special Police, acting in concert with officials of the civil administration of Serbia and with the German Occupation Forces, unlawfully did murder Dragomir Andjelkovic by classifying the said Dragomir Andjelkovic to Category 1, between the 21st day of May 1943 and the 25th day of May 1943, resulting in the said Dragomir Andjelkovic being killed."

Peter Kremer, who heads the war crimes unit, declined to comment whether the disintegration of Yugoslavia would hamper prosecution of the case, saying only that it "presented new challenges."

A reception in honor of the leadership of the United Israel Appeal of Canada was held in Jerusalem during the recent meetings of the Jewish Agency for Israel. From left: Rubin Zimmerman, chairman of the UIA's Israel residents' committee; Dr. Gerald Halbert; Canadian ambassador to Israel, Norman Spector; Julia Koschitzky; Steve Ain; Shimon Sheetrit, Israel's minister of economic affairs, and Dr. Amnon Shinar, director-general of the UIA's Israel office. [Photo by Joe Malcolm]

Jewish Agency meetings held

JERUSALEM —

Dr. Gerald Halbert, who recently took office as president of the United Israel Appeal of Canada, headed a Canadian delegation to the meetings of the Jewish Agency for Israel, held recently in Jerusalem.

"The message I'm taking back to our communities is the critical need for cash," Halbert said. "Almost 50 percent of the cash obligations by the campaigns to the Jewish Agency for the 1992 budget are still outstanding.

"The Agency's current budget is based on an income of $520 million U.S. from the campaigns," Halbert pointed out. "By the end of September, only $274 million had been received. This means that in the last quarter of 1992, the campaigns throughout the world must make up more than $240 million, if this budget is to keep its integrity.

"I come away from these meetings with a definite sense of urgency," he stated. "The UIA must turn to Canadian Jewish communities to reach an agreement that the communities will share with UIA — and that means with Israel — from the first dollar they raise, and not from the last, or residue, dollar."

At the meetings it was announced that Halbert became a member of the Agency's board of governors, succeeding Sol Lederman.

Julia Koschitzky, immediate past president of UIA, acted for the first time as the new chairman of the board of trustees of Keren Hayesod (World UIA). Koschitzky and Halbert are from Toronto.

The Canadian delegation included: From Montreal — Joe and Fay Ain, Robert Berger, Neri Bloomfield, Bernice Brown, Steve Drysdale (Federation executive director), Maxyne Finkelstein, Manny and Charlotte Weiner, Doris Weiser, Harvey (Federation president) and Roslyn Wolfe.

From Toronto — Steve Ain (UIA executive vice president), Phil Granovsky, Gerald and Tootsie Halbert, Henry and Julia Koschitzky, Sol and Edith Lederman, Paul Morton, Jack and Judith Rose.

The week-long Agency meetings consisted of discussions by the Board of Governors, followed by the Annual Assembly.

The main isssues, besides the severe cash shortfall, were the deteriorating situation in the former Soviet Union, presenting a serious threat to the Jewish population, and plans for economic development in Israel, which is the key to solving the critical employment needs related to the mass Aliyah.

A representative of the Jewish community in Tbilisi, Gur-Am Batyashvilli, described the chaotic conditions in the vast Caucasus region of the so-called Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), where fire-arms have become the most common personal belonging, and law-and-order is shattered. Under conditions of danger, deprivation and population flight, Jewish Agency emissaries have generated trust among Jews, he said.

In providing safety and protection, they are the most visible, most mobile and active among all Jewish representatives in the region, Batyashvilli said. On behalf of his community, he expressed thanks and appreciation to Jewish Agency chairman Simcha Dinitz and Dr. Baruch Gur, head of the department for CIS and Eastern Europe.

While former Soviet republics such as Georgia, Abkhazia, Tadjikistan and others seem remote and unknown, they have a potential for violent outbreaks which will make the war in Yugoslavia look like child's play, warned Baruch Gur.

"The problem is," Gur added, "that it's often hard to convince a Jew to leave one day — even one day — before it's too late."

Addressing the Assembly was also a representative of the Jewish community in Kishinev, Simyon Weizman. Describing the potential for tragedy in his city, because of ethnic strife, he noted, however, that absorption conditions in Israel, especially employment difficulties, hold Jews back from coming on aliyah. A change must occur in Israel, he said.

Israel's new Minister of Absorption, Yair Tsaban, refuted the widely-held notion about large-scale unemployment among Russian immigrants. The latest survey shows that 70-75 percent of them have found jobs. Another matter is what kind of jobs, he conceded, but they do have work.

Tsaban said immigration figures are going up again: in the last three months, nearly 20,000 immigrants arrived, as compared to 14,000 in the preceding three-month period. The year will end with the projected 70,000, while 1993 could see 100,000 and even 120,000 come to Israel, he predicted.

The Absorption Ministry recently took over responsibility from the Jewish Agency for all temporary housing sites (caravans) with Ethiopians. Conditions there are very hard, he said, and the ministry is giving priority to improving the situation, with the help of voluntary organizations.

The Assembly approved a budget for 1993 in the amount of $480 million U.S., compared to $604 million in 1992, despite the fact that the aliyah forecast for 1993 stands at 100,000, substantially higher than this year.

In 1992, the Agency was still burdened by cumulative deficits created by the massive Operation Exodus, and unbudgeted expenditures from the rescue and absorption of thousands of Ethiopian Jews, who came to Israel on Operation Solomon.

Ethiopian absorption costs have now been taken on by the government, and the Operation Exodus deficit has largely been covered. However, Agency delegates still faced many painful decisions as to what programs and activities should be cut, in view of the projected shortfall in income next year.

An example was a cut of $1.5 million in the sum for Ulpanim (intensive Hebrew courses for immigrants) in the 1993 budget. A specialized budget committee agreed on the cut, but when it came before the plenary of the board of governors, an impassioned plea was made to keep the full amount for this program, in view of its vital function. The board reversed the committee's decision and restored the sum.

Similar arguments were held about other programs, notably in the Youth Aliyah department, with an enrollment this year of 13,700 teenagers, where cuts mean a reduction in the number of immigrant students and the services of psychologists, counsellors etc.

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Jewish gravesites creating problems for planned overpass

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Jerusalem Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Kolitz is trying to come up with a solution to the worsening crisis over 2,000-year-old Jewish graves that has pitted fervently Orthodox haredim against city officials trying to build a key overpass.

Kolitz visited the site at French Hill, viewed the half-dozen ancient burial caves uncovered so far and consulted with engineers and city officials.

"Of course we have to take account of the needs of the living," Kolitz told reporters, referring to the daily traffic jams in the northern part of the city that should be relieved by the construction of an overpass at the controversial site.

Teddy Kollek

"Otherwise there would be no problem," he said. "But we have to find a way to do so without offending the honor of the dead."

Informed sources said the rabbi wanted several days to study the issue.

A great many hopes are pinned on Kolitz reaching a solution acceptable both to residents of the northern suburbs of Neveh Ya'acov and Pisgat Ze'ev, who drive into town through the clogged arteries each day, and to Athra Kadisha, the haredi organization that specializes in protecting graveyards.

Mayor Teddy Kollek said he was hoping for an amicable solution both at French Hill and at another potentially explosive site, the Mamilla project in the centre of the city, where archaeologists say graves have been found belonging to Christians, not Jews.

Demonstrations of haredim took place at both sites last week, but on a relatively small scale. The rabbinical court of the fervently orthodox Eda Haredit has, however, ruled that the remains at French Hill be protected "by all means."

On the other side, the Archaeological Association, in conjunction with the secularist organization Hemdat, has asked the High Court of Justice for an order against the Israel Antiquities Authority, aimed at preventing a future handover of ancient coffins for reburial.

They said ossuaries and sarcophagi ought to go to museums.

Their action follows the Nov. 20 reinterment at a Jerusalem cemetery of 16 stone ossuaries found earlier at the French Hill site, when archaeologists carried out a rescue dig before work on the overpass.

Violent demonstrations by haredim and the defacement of the grave of former Prime Minister Menachem Begin prompted the government and the rabbinate to reach a compromise over the sarcophagi.

Crown Heights riots leave bitter taste in Jews' mouths

NEW YORK (JTA) —

The cries of "Get the Jew" that were shouted in Crown Heights in August 1991 are still echoing far beyond the boundaries of that Brooklyn neighborhood.

Amid the rhetorical battles, speeches and demonstrations that have surrounded recent events in Crown Heights, one thing has become clear: the images and language of victimization have touched a raw nerve in New York Jews of all religious and political persuasions.

Most New York Jews feel that justice has not been served, since no one has been convicted of murdering Yankel Rosenbaum, who was killed simply because he was a Jew during rioting by blacks in Crown Heights last year.

But beyond that, there are essentially two camps.

Lubavitchers and their supporters suggest that because New York Mayor David Dinkins is black, he is more concerned with placating the increasingly politically-empowered black community and with solidifying his voter base for the 1993 mayoral election, than with justice for Jews.

Other Jews also feel a sense of pronounced discomfort with the way the Crown Heights crisis continues to play out, even accusing the mayor, who has a long record of support for Jewish causes, of being insensitive to Jewish concerns.

But these Jews refute the notion that he is an anti-Semite and say that he is being scapegoated himself.

It is these New York Jews who also resent the first group's use of the term "pogrom" to refer to the rioting that followed the accidental killing of a 7-year-old black child at the hands of a Lubavitch driver and in which Rosenbaum, a Chassidic scholar, was murdered.

These Jews also bristle at the Lubavitchers' use of Holocaust imagery, such as wearing yellow stars pinned to their clothes at the arraignment of Moishe Katzman, the Lubavitch man charged by police with beating a homeless black man behind the Lubavitch world headquarters on Dec. 1.

The debate over language and imagery reflects the profound impact of the Crown Heights episode on the Jewish psyche.

"The genius of Avi Weiss and crew has been their description of this as an attack on all Jews, as a pogrom," said Samuel Heilman, professor of sociology at Queens College and the City University of New York Graduate Center.

He was referring to the Bronx rabbi and social activist who has repeatedly confronted the mayor and been the most visible non-Lubavitcher to support the Crown Heights Jewish perspective.

Describing the black violence against Jews in Crown Heights as a pogrom resonates with Jews outside of the neighborhood because it reminds them of their different-ness, after they have spent the last 40 years trying to show how American they are, he said.

Fragile existence

"It reminds Jews of how fragile their existence is," said Heilman.

The way Jewish New Yorkers view the Crown Heights crisis and how it is being handled by the Lubavitchers often depends on how secure they feel in America and in the city — and those sentiments are often reflected in where they live.

Chassidim, including the Lubavitchers, are anomalous in the Jewish world.

They are the only major Jewish group not to have fled the inner city by the 1970s, but they want little, if anything, to do with their non-Jewish neighbors and, with the notable exception of the Lubavitch, have almost nothing to do with non-Chassidic Jews.

Inadvertently, they stand quite literally on the front lines of black-Jewish relations.

Sentiment outside of Crown Heights tends to be divided along an Orthodox/non-Orthodox axis and a Manhattan/outer-borough axis.

Jews who live in "Jewish" neighborhoods outside of Manhattan are generally Orthodox. They, along with their more assimilated, less observant and secular neighbors, "fled Manhattan in the first place and are more uncomfortable with the urban environment," according to Phillip Saperia, executive director of the American Jewish Congress' Metropolitan Region.

"The city has followed them to the suburbs and they don't like it," he said. "Those who live in more insular communities are more likely to feel insecure than those who live in diverse areas."

Jews in Manhattan have, by and large, acculturated and assimilated into New York's Jewish cultural milieu and are "hermetically sealed" off from the black-Jewish tensions which beset the outer-borough communities, according to Heilman, the sociologist.

In contrast, Brooklyn and Queens Jews feel themselves to be "just a step away from Crown Heights," said Heilman.

But even the more mainstream Jews of New York are concerned that ethnic stability is in danger, said Saperia, "lest there be an erosion of the position of the Jewish community sociologically, economically, religiously, or politically."

The Lubavitch also hold a special place in the hearts of many American Jews. They are perhaps the most popular Jewish religious group in America. Countless non-observant Jews admire the outreach work Lubavitch does, consider Lubavitch the last outpost of "authentic" Judaism and give money to support their programs.

So there is a large measure of sympathy among other Jews for Lubavitch that would not exist if the same things were happening to an even more iconoclastic sect, like Williamsburg's Satmar Chassidim.

Rabbi Gilbert Rosenthal, executive vice president of the 800-member New York Board of Rabbis — which includes clergy from all the major branches of Judaism — says he has gotten calls from Jews and non-Jews all over the country in support of the Lubavitch.

The Chassidic group is seen "as a besieged and beleaguered minority trying to maintain its integrity and identity as a community and not be forced out," he said.

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Latvia reacts to *Life* article

BY SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The Latvian government has denounced a *Life* magazine story as an inaccurate and sensationalist portrayal of Jews in Latvia today.

An illustrated article in the latest edition of *Life*, published in New York City, reports that "a group of former Nazis and newly-emboldened ultra-rightists" seek to "purify" Latvia by getting rid of ethnic Russian and Jewish residents in the former Soviet republic.

Fifty two percent of Latvia's population is comprised of ethnic Latvians, with the balance consisting of, among others, Russians and Jews.

Life writer Edward Barnes claims that in the last year or so these forces "have exerted so much pressure that nearly 15,000 of the country's 23,000 Jews have already left."

Barnes adds that "Latvia's ethnic prejudice has become mainstream political thinking" and is on "the brink of becoming official policy."

In an interview with *The Canadian Jewish News*, Aivars Baumanis, Latvia's ambassador to the United Nations, said the article was full of "lies," "absolutely subjective," and "built on the emotions of one woman."

Latvia always has been and will continue to be a multicultural country which respects the rights of its minorities, he said.

In his piece, entitled *Soon They Will Come For Us*, Barnes quotes Riga resident and Holocaust survivor Mira Beylina as saying she is leaving Latvia out of fear of the future.

Baumanis said that leaders of Latvia's Jewish community would attend a press conference in Riga "to express their objections" to the article. Ruta Marjasa, a Jewish member of Latvia's parliament, has called it "absolutely non-objective."

Baumanis said he had invited Israel's United Nations ambassador to send an Israeli delegation to Latvia to investigate the allegations. "Our doors are open."

Daniel Okrent, *Life's* assistant managing editor, said there would be a response. "We believe everything in the article to be accurate until proven otherwise."

Viesturs (Ves) Zarins, president of the Latvian National Federation in Canada, said that a documentary prepared on Latvian Jewry by Barnes had been rejected by the *McNeil-Lehrer Newshour* program.

"The action was taken without Latvian prompting, after a preliminary review showed the documentary to be lacking in factual support."

Both Zarins and Baumanis claimed the article was inspired by Russia.

"Russian troops still occupy the Baltic states," said Zarins. "Lately Russia has been subject to increased international pressure to pull the troops out. Accusations of anti-Semitism in Latvia, and the supposed mistreatment of its Russian minority, are unsubstantiated. They are designed to provide an excuse for the Russian troops to stay put and re-exert Russian control over the newly independent Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania."

Good connections

"Moscow has a very long hand and good connections with the media in Western countries," said Baumanis.

Ojars Kalnins, the minister counsellor of Latvia's embassy in Washington, accused Barnes of using "sensationalism and selective reporting to paint a highly distorted and factually unsubstantiated picture of life in Latvia."

Kalnins said that no Latvian Jewish community leaders or government members are referred to in the article. "[Barnes] argues that anti-Semitism among Latvians is growing, yet [he] only talks to a handful of extremist members of right-wing fringe groups. This is comparable to interviewing only the KKK and using their activities to characterize the entire United States."

Barnes refers to two groups — the "renascent" Aizsargi, whose slogan is "Latvia must be for Latvians," and the government-sanctioned Zemisargi, or home guard.

Barnes claims the Aizsargi, with a current membership of 14,000, helped the Nazis round up Jews and conducted pogroms. He says it patrols streets and is illegally rearming itself.

According to Barnes, the Zemisargi has 15,000 members, and two of its units are composed of Old Warriors, "former members of the Waffen SS who are eager for the chance to put on their uniforms again and sing the old songs."

Baumanis said the Latvian government has a negative attitude to the Aizsargi. He denied it is a fascist organization. He said he did not know whether it participated in war crimes. Baumanis said the government is committed to a policy of punishing war criminals.

With reference to the Zemisargi, Baumanis said it is "totally untrue" that part of its membership is composed of SS veterans. He conceded that some of its members served in the Wehrmacht, the German army.

In his article, Barnes writes that under a new resolution already enacted by parliament, Latvian citizenship will be granted only to those people who can pass a Latvian language test and can show that their parents or grandparents held citizenship as of June 17, 1940, the day the Red Army marched into Latvia and annexed it.

This measure, while aimed at Russians to return to Russia, would also disenfranchise "an estimated 95 percent of the nation's Jews, most of who came after 1940."

According to Kalnins, the Latvian parliament has neither passed nor considered any legislation that would force non-Latvians to leave. "... the only group being asked to leave... is the former Soviet, now Russian army."

Kalnins said that Jews have emigrated because Latvian independence "has finally given them the opportunity to get to Israel more easily."

He said that under a draft law on citizenship, not yet passed, 93 percent of non-Latvians in Latvia would qualify for citizenship.

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Community changes image

JERUSALEM —

When Betty Peleg came to Kfar Yona in 1984, she told her friends she was moving to a place "near Netanya," the city nearby, as she felt uncomfortable about Kfar Yona. It had a negative image. Young people were moving away, rather than going there.

Less than a decade later, Kfar Yona, located in the centre of Israel with 6,000 residents, is in the midst of a construction boom. Its image has radically improved. It attracts new population, promising a quality of life which is a cut higher than most places in the country.

"The community centre was the spearhead of change," says Peleg, who two years ago became the centre's director. "It created the dynamics which put Kfar Yona on the map." When the Israel Association of Community Centres was searching recently for a location to shoot its public-service messsage for national television, it chose the Kfar Yona Community Centre.

Last September the town observed its 60th anniversary, with Israel's President Chaim Herzog attending the occasion. A colorful musical was performed entirely by local talent. Four singing groups, young and adult, were featured. All were put together at the Centre. Now Peleg wants to keep them together. Her problem, not surprisingly, is finding the necessary funds.

The centre is one of 98 projects throughout Israel built in the past 10 years through the United Israel Appeal of Canada, with contributions to United Jewish Appeal, Combined Jewish Appeal and United Israel Appeal campaigns. Together, these projects from Metulla to Eilat, have created a significant Canadian impact on improving life in Israel.

Kfar Yona has come a long way since the early 1950s when one of Israel's largest "tent cities" — temporary housing for thousands of needy new immigrants — was located nearby. The town's ethnic background dates back to this period: a mix of Sephardi and Ashkenazi groups. It's an ethnic mosaic, which in Kfar Yona is working very well.

From those earlier years, pockets of poverty remained in the 1980s. The run-down Yosefthal neighborhood had a concentration of social, educational and economic problems. A social gap had developed, dividing the residents. That is why Kfar Yona got on Israel's list of Project Renewal neighborhoods. When UIA of Canada suggested to the Vancouver Jewish community to adopt Kfar Yona for Renewal, the link was formed. Today, Vancouver visitors are filled with pride when they come to Kfar Yona to see "their" project in Israel.

The community centre was dedicated in 1988. Canadian support amounted to $2.3 million (U.S.). The centre has an imaginative design and is distinguished by its red-brick facing, which is quite unusual for Israel. There is an attractive plaza in front and the area is evolving into the town's civic centre. A small shopping centre is under construction, and work will begin soon on a swimming pool.

The centre, known in Hebrew as "Matnass," is a hub of activity from morning till night. Some 800 youngsters attend the programs, from kindergarten age to 18-year-olds. There is a toddlers' day-care centre, as well as a club for the elderly. Ballet, arts and crafts, English conversation and much more make it into a focus for informal education.

Peleg crédits Effi Deri, mayor of Kfar Yona for the past 11 years, as the moving force and guiding spirit behind the town's success. He understood how to work with various populations and agencies to get the results.

Of the centre's annual budget of NIS 1.6 million (about CDN $800,000), UIA of Canada this year provides $130,000 to support a range of social programs operated by the centre. An encouraging development is the growing percentage of user-fees as a source of income, now reaching 45 percent. When the wave of Russian immigration began, the centre responded by starting ulpan (Hebrew language) classes and setting up a social club for the newcomers.

A 450-seat auditorium brings people from neighboring locations to performances at the centre. The spacious premises of the centre's library are conducive for study. A special corner of English books is supplied by Vancouver.

The next major undertaking on Peleg's agenda: to launch a music conservatory program. With the kind of talent evident in the 60th anniversary spectacle, it should not be difficult. Of special pride is the "Chavurat Zemer," an adult singing group whose members hope to visit Canada through their Vancouver connection.

Peleg finds time for everything, from programs to maintenance to self improvement. Mother of three children, a daughter in high-school and two younger sons, she studied informal education — a "natural" to her dynamic personality. With a smile, she credits her success to her Moroccan looks, but in secret she will tell you that she actually comes from "a good Polish home . . ."

Betty Peleg, director of the community centre in Kfar Yona, Israel, is seen in front of the centre, one of 98 projects established by United Israel Appeal of Canada in the past ten years. [Reuven Rosenfelder photo]

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Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

OLCH

Phillip Hollend, of Peterborough, Ont. believes that his forebears emanated from a village called Olcza near Sokoli in Poland. A valuable clue is that the hamlet was in the neighborhood of Bialystok.

This narrows down the investigation to a choice of Olchowa or Olchowce, both of whicih are within spitting distance of Sokoly, which is a few kilometres soutwest of the thriving metropolis of Bialystok.

Olcha is the Polish word for alder, a tree related to the birch. Birch in turn is Brzoza, which bestowed its name on many towns and hamlets. It is the same process which yields Oakville, Maple and Elmvale in Ontario.

Kitchener protest raises questions

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

University of Toronto student Yehuda Poch is incensed that he was almost prevented from demonstrating in Kitchener last month to show solidarity with Monna Zentner, the woman whose house was burned following her protests against the recent visit of British Holocaust revisionist David Irving.

Jewish student organizations throughout southern Ontario planned to attend a demonstration in Kitchener on November 12, Poch told *The CJN*. B'nai Brith Canada and Canadian Jewish Congress had agreed to fund a bus to transport students from Toronto to Kitchener and back.

After CJC withdrew support at the request of members of Kitchener's Jewish community, Poch wrote a letter to *The CJN* condemning the CJC's "complacency" in thwarting student plans.

In response to Poch's letter The CJN last week investigated his allegations.

Canadian Jewish Congress "respects the issues and assessments of the local communities," Manuel Prutschi, executive director, CJC Ontario region, said. In this instance, there were two concerns, he explained: the possibility of violence if local neo-Nazis showed up, and the concern that media attention would be focused on that violence rather than on the peaceful anti-racism event planned by the Jewish and non-Jewish community at Kitchener's Trinity United Church.

"We could not take responsibility in an official way [after learning of those concerns]," Prutschi said in defence of CJC's decision not to fund the bus. The students were free to go on their own, he added. "We are very supportive of students. We're interested in working together with them, and are ready and willing to support all kinds of programs, but if we support a program we have to take full responsibility for it."

Paul Walman, who is an active member of Kitchener's Jewish community and co-chair of community service for CJC, was asked by organizers of the event to convey to Toronto their concerns about students being bussed in. "I recommended we (CJC) do not support the students' request, although if they wish to come, they may come on their own."

Walman said he was disappointed that B'nai Brith had supported the students "against the wishes of the people who were organizing the event."

"At no time did someone say, 'We don't want you to come'," Karen Mock, national director, B'nai Brith League for Human Rights, told *The CJN*. When Mock learned from CJC's Bernie Farber of the Kitchener community's concerns, she called her B'nai Brith contact in Kitchener, Simon Adler, for first-hand information. Adler reiterated the concerns and told Mock that the community would prefer the students not demonstrate on that day.

"We tried to discourage the students from going that day," Mock said, but she ended up mediating with them because going on that day was so important to them. "My role was to ensure that they supported the event and didn't detract from it. I said we would not agree to take them unless they agreed to demonstrate peacefully at a safe distance [from would-be agitators]."

"I had no problem with the students coming, provided it didn't detract from the event," Adler confirmed. He called the degree of co-operation between B'nai Brith and CJC "an absolute scandal," although he and Walman separately affirmed how well they work together in Kitchener.

"What if, God forbid, one student was hurt?" asks Bernie Farber. "Parents would have been upset and quite rightly."

Mock shared CJC concerns for the students' safety. "That's why we went along with them," she said. B'nai Brith's Frank Dimant, executive vice-president, and Robert Funk, research and communications director, accompanied the students, as did Sabina Citron of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association, which co-sponsored the bus. "I knew there would be a lot of police surveillance," said Mock. "I knew if the students kept their distance, it would be safe. I told the students that putting themselves in danger is not activism, it's stupidity."

Mock noted that the students had received mixed messages from the Kitchener community, as Monna Zenter and her supporters were encouraging them to attend.

Zentner is grateful for the support shown by the 29 students who came to demonstrate. "I felt really proud that young people would take the trouble to do that," she said. "You can't make believe a problem for Jews in one community is only that community's problem. Our community can't settle it alone."

"I would have had it on my conscience if I had not gone," said York University student Saar Rozen. "By not going, I felt I would be betraying the community."

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ROME (JTA) —

Chanukah is Chanukah for Jews all over the world.

But in Rome, where Jews have lived for more than 2,000 years, local traditons have developed which are somewhat different from the ones to which most North American Jews are accustomed.

Roman Jews did not sing *Maoz Tsur* until fairly recently, for example, and they don't eat potato latkes — both common traditions among Jews of Ashkenazi, or Central European, origin.

In Rome, where most Jews follow either a specific Italian rite or a Sephardic rite, Chanukah is celebrated by eating crisp fried foods, prepared similarly to a Japanese tempura.

They eat all types of fried vegetables and fried sweets, like doughnuts.

This type of fried vegetable has entered Roman cooking as the local specialty, "fritto misto," which can be found year-round at restaurants serving local Roman cuisine.

Cauliflower, zucchini, onions, artichokes, pumpkin, and even apples are cut into pieces, dipped in batter and deep-fried in oil until crisp.

Often, small fish or pieces of salt cod are also fried in the same way.

Of course, Roman Jewish families light the Chanukah lamps on each of the eight nights, but traditionally observant families still prefer to use oil lamps, rather than candles — although candles in a Chanukah menorah are increasingly popular.

For several years now, a huge menorah has been erected in downtown Piazza Barberini by the Lubavitcher Chassidim as part of their worldwide Chanukah observance.

Lighting the first candle has become an official city tradition, with participation of the mayor and other political leaders, as well as many Roman Jews.

This year, there will be two big Chanukah parties at the Rome Jewish community centre — a concert and dinner for adults, on Dec. 20, at which traditional foods will be served, then a party for children with games and presents on Dec. 22.

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The News in Brief

Germans disdain far right

BONN — German disapproval of right-wing violence has risen dramatically following an arson attack last month that killed three Turkish nationals.

Sixty-nine percent of Germans categorically reject the slogan "Foreigners out," according to an opinion poll published in the weekly *Der Spiegel*.

That is sharply up from 43 percent who opposed the slogan prior to the Nov. 23 firebombing, which killed a woman and two girls in the northern town of Moelln.

The number of Germans who say they understand neo-Nazi sympathies has dipped from 33 to 12 percent.

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Skinhead arrested in Italy

ROME — For the first time in Italy, a person has been arrested for fostering racism, on the basis of a law dating back to 1975 but never before enforced.

Giorgio Cola, 19, a skinhead and member of the ultraright-wing group Political Movement, was arrested as he handed out leaflets that were both anti-Semitic and anti-abortion.

He was arrested on the basis of a law that makes it an offence to "disseminate in any way ideas founded on racial superiority or hatred" or to "incite discrimination in any way or commit acts of violence or provoke violence against people because they belong to a national ethnic or racial group."

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Neo-Nazi publisher charged

AMSTERDAM — Dutch authorities have instituted proceedings against a woman in a northern town for distributing a neo-Nazi journal.

The woman's post office box in Delfzijl, in the province of Groningen, is a distribution point for *Die Neue Front Widerstand*, sources said. From the town, which is near the German border, the publication is sent to about 40 subscribers in the Netherlands.

The woman is known to be connected with the radical right-wing Aktie Front National Socialisten (the National Socialist Action Front, called the ANS).

The ANS is described as the most extreme of the neo-Nazi groups in the Netherlands, although its membership is very limited.

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Travel to Egypt warning

JERUSALEM — In the wake of recent terrorist attacks aimed at tourists visiting northern Egypt, Israel's tour operators have been advised by the government to warn clients of the dangers of travelling to the area.

The prime minister's adviser on terrorism, Yigal Carmon, has warned tour companies that Israeli, as well as foreign tourists, are potential targets of attacks by Islamic fundamentalists. His warning precedes the expected increase in Israeli tourism to Egypt during Chanukah.

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Lithuania cancels pardons

NEW YORK — Responding to an outcry from Jewish groups, the Lithuanian government has reversed the rehabilitation of six former prisoners who collaborated with the Nazis during the Holocaust, the Simon Wiesenthal Center reported.

The six names were submitted last year by the Wiesenthal Center and other Jewish groups to Lithuanian officials after it was made known that Vilnius had embarked on a project to reverse prison sentences meted out by the Soviet Communist government.

The Lithuanian government had proceeded with the pardons in its first birth pangs as an independent country shucking off the legal and penal encumbrances of Soviet rule.

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Sheikhs appeal rejected

JERUSALEM — Hezbollah deputy secretary-general Sheikh Naeem Qassem has rejected Sheikh Abdel Karim Obeid's appeal to secure his release in exchange for Israel Air Force navigator Ron Arad. Wassem released a statement that Obeid made the offer under pressure from his captors.

Obeid, who has been held by Israel since being snatched from his home in Jibsheet village in south Lebanon by Israeli paratroopers in July 1989, said in a television interview with CBS's *60 Minutes* anchorwoman Leslie Stahl that the time had come for "action not words."

During the course of the interview Stahl asked Obeid about a tape CBS has showing him "exhorting people to kill Israelis." Did that fairly represent his views?

"Yes," Obeid answered. "I do not deny I support military operations against Israel, in Israel."

When he goes home, Stahl pressed, will he continue to preach the destruction of Israel? "Yes," he said shortly. "The answer is definitely, yes."

Greek Jews protest

ATHENS — In the first demonstration of its kind, Greek Jews have taken to the streets to protest a surge of racism and anti-Seitism in Germany.

Holding candles and wearing buttons reading "Never Again," 1,500 Jews gathered outside the German embassy in Athens to hear communal leader Nissim Mais call on Bonn to combat the "horrifying and dangerous situation which is once more quite openly created in Germany."

A five-member delegation handed a copy of the declaration to Ambassador Leopold von Bredow who, to everyone's surprise, put on a "Never Again" button himself.

"The Jews are the one people who legitimately must remind Germany about Nazism every time it rises," he said. "Allow me to shout with you — 'never again'."

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Scores wounded in rioting

JERUSALEM — One Palestinian died on Saturday as hundreds of rioters threw stones at soldeirs and Border Police in Jabalya refugee camp and Gaza City to mark the fifth anniversary of the founding of Hamas and the 25th anniversary of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

Some 40 to 60 Palestinians were slightly wounded in the riots. Ten border policemen and a soldier were treated after being hit by stones, the army said.

Ten clashes erupted unexpectedly after the Israeli army lifted a curfew imposed on the camp three days earlier. An attempt to impose a curfew at 3 p.m. failed and clashes continued until after dark.

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Israeli soldiers killed

JERUSALEM — Three Israeli army reservists patrolling the Gaza Strip were killed last week in an ambush by terrorists of the Islamic fundamentalist Hamas movement.

Gunmen in a passing car sprayed the soldiers' jeep with automatic fire before dawn in an attack coinciding with the fifth anniversary of the Palestinian uprising.

The attackers fled shouting "Allahu Akhbar" (God is great), according to accounts given Israel Radio by Gaza Strip workers who witnessed the assault.

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A first for Israel

JERUSALEM — Israel will participate in UN peacekeeping forces for the first time, sending eight civilians to serve in administrative posts.

The decision came in response to a request by UN Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali, a statement from the Foreign Ministry said.

Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin informed UN officials of the decision in a meeting in Jerusalem.

The decision came after longstanding disagreements with UN policies were eased earlier this year when the 1975 General Assembly resolution equating Zionism with racism was abrogated.

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Tourism to Germany drops

BONN — German airlines have reported a sharp drop in tourism amid widespread outcry over a surge of neo-Nazi violence in the country.

Travel agencies are demonstrating concern over the impact of rising right-wing extremism.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl came under attack last week from within his own party for failing to speak out decisively against neo-Nazi violence.

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Palestinians kidnap policeman

JERUSALEM — Palestinian terrorists touched off a new crisis in Israel on Sunday by apparently managing to kidnap a border policeman, whom they offered to free in exchange for the release of Sheik Ahmad Yassin, imprisoned leader of the Islamic fundamentalist Hamas movement.

The kidnapping was the climax in a series of incidents of escalating unrest as Palestinians marked the fifth anniversary of their upsising, the intifada.

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Prayer for victims

TORONTO — An interfaith coalition has asked Christian, Muslim and Jewish Canadians to set aside Jan. 15-17 as a weekend of prayer for the victims of the civil war in Bosnia-Hercegovina.

The coalition, consisting of B'nai Brith Canada, the Canadian Council for Conservartive Judaism, the Canadian Council for Reform Judaism, the Canadian Council of Churches and the Islamic Society of North America, is asking Canadians of the three faiths to "pray, advocate and mobilize" for the victims of the Bosnia crisis, who face "torture, rape, murder and ethnic cleansing."

Front Line

Fur trade an honorable profession for Canadians

By DEL HAYLOCK

The advertisement by "Concern for Helping Animals in Israel" of Alexandria, Virginia [CHAI!] made charges against the fur trade which are offensive to many Canadians. *(CJN*, November 12.)

The fur trade has employed thousands of Canadian Jewish familes (many fled war-torn Europe thanks to fur-industry sponsorship), and continues to support the livelihoods and cultures of other ethnic communities — including native people living in some of the most remote regions of this country.

CHAI's ad also reveals some odd cultural blinkers. After all: we eat beef and wear leather jackets. Why then shouldn't northern people eat beaver or muskrat and sell fur — which is one of their staple local resources?

The fur trade does **not** promote cruelty. Nature is **not** Disneyland and animals in the wild do **not** die of old age. The Sephardic rabbi in Israel, whose comments are quoted in the ad, presumably has limited experience in the Canadian wild. Only someone who has never seen what happens to animals in overpopulated regions could blithely condemn efforts to maintain stable and healthy wildlife populations through controlled trapping and hunting.

Humane societies "euthanize" unwanted urban pets, rather than let nature (i.e. starvation and disease) take its toll. Why the double standard when it comes to wildlife?

Endangered species are **not** used in the fur trade; trapping is strictly controlled by provincial government regulations. Trappers, however, do have a direct interest in protecting nature. They are the first to sound the alarm when forests, lakes and streams are threatened by pollution or irresponsible industrial development.

The rabbi might also be interested to know that our government (with fur-trade support) has invested over $8 million for research to introduce more humane trapping systems. Canada has also called for international standards, because trapping is used to protect natural habitat, property and crops — and to prevent the spread of dangerous diseases — i.e. even in countries where there is no fur trade. (This is why animal-welfare groups like the Canadian Association for Humane Trapping (CAHT) and the Canadian Federation of Humane Societies (CFHS) have long supported trap-research programs.)

The ad published by CHAI includes obvious errors. For example: the claim that trapped animals leave behind dependent youngsters that are "doomed to starvation." Furs are taken in late fall and winter, when young animals are already on their own. In fact, starvation occurs when animal populations are allowed to exceed the carrying capacity of their environment.

The problem with this sort of provocative advertising, however, goes far beyond the fur trade. Self-styled "animal-rights" crusaders are using the same techniques to attack medical research, farmers and — notably — kosher slaughter. The implications of these campaigns should not be ignored.

BBC journalist David Henshaw has documented the link between the "Animal Liberation Front" and extreme right-wing campaigns against Jewish and Muslim ritual slaughter. (*Animal Warfare*; Fontana, 1989.)

In the United States, anti-fur campaigner Ingrid Newkirk (president of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) calls farms "concentration camps" and has casually commented that: "Six million Jews died in concentration camps, but six billion broiler chickens will die this year in slaughter-houses . . ." (*Washington Post*, Nov. 13, 1983).

Closer to home, the Montreal SPCA is lobbying our government to ban kosher slaughter in Quebec. Kosher killing and the fur trade were both attacked in a recent episode of *Camera 92*, on Quatre Saisons television (October 18).

Moralistic judgements on furriers, butchers, leather workers and other supposedly "low-caste" occupations have a long history in the sad annals of anti-Semitism. Modern animal rights extremism has served as a blind for the worst anti-humanism. In 1933 the Nazis introduced the world's first ban on using animals for medical research, as Herman Goering announced he would "commit to concentration camps those who still think that they can continue to treat animals as inanimate property."

Unfortunately, some activists today are quite prepared to attack the livelihoods and reputations of medical researchers, farmers, furriers and many other honest working people — in the name of a misguided "animal-rights" philosophy. Philosopher George Santayana has defined fanaticism as "re-doubling our efforts when we have forgotten the goals."

Such campaigns show little understanding of environmental issues or real respect for animals. All too often, what they mostly express is thinly-veiled hatred for other people and different cultures.

(Del Haylock is executive vice-president of the Fur Council of Canada. This article was accompanied by the signatures of 59 member companies of the Fur Council of Canada.)

Madrid Jewish Film Festival lives up to standards

By JOHN STUART KATZ

What better way to spend Columbus Day than with 400 Spanish filmgoers watching Jewish films? For Deborah Kaufman and Janis Plotkin, organizers of the first Madrid Jewish Film Festival, the 500 year commemoration was of the expulsion of Jews and Muslims from Spain in 1492, not of the voyage of Columbus that same year.

Kaufman and Plotkin are the directors of the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival, now in its 13th year. Two years ago they organized the Moscow Film Festival, which turned out to be one of the largest Jewish cultural events ever in the Soviet Union.

The first Madrid Jewish Film Festival lived up to these San Francisco programmers' high standards by showing 24 films from nine countries to capacity audiences at the Filmoteca Espagnola from October 10-17. It is said to have been the largest Jewish cultural event in Spain since the Inquisition.

"We come to Madrid 500 years later with our Jewish Film Festival to remember the past and to celebrate Jewish culture today," said Kaufman and Plotkin. "At a time of increasing fragmentation and ethnic conflict in Europe, we believe our films will offer a compelling prespective on cultural boundaries and the need for respect."

With attendance at over 5,000 for the week-long event, the Jewish Film Festival was the only commemorative occurrence to take place in Madrid during the Quincentennial week. As impressive as were the numbers, even more so was the zeal of the audiences, with filmmaker's colloquia occurring after almost every screening. Beginning at about midnight after the 10:30 p.m. films, the final nightly question-and-answer periods often lasted until the early hours of the morning.

Hollywood director Ted Kotcheff (*Joshua Then And Now*) and I were the sole Canadians among the foreign guests, along with about 45 filmmakers, critics, and cineastes from the United States, Europe, and Israel. In addition to us, the audience at the Festival was comprised of Spanish Jews, (of which there are 12,000 in all of Spain, 4,000 of whom live in Madrid), and a very large number of non-Jewish film enthusiasts.

What seemed to appeal most were films about Sephardic Jews themselves — the Jews of Spain, the Mediterranean, and the Middle East. These included an intriguing historical documentary, *Routes of Exile*, which traces the journey of Moroccan Jews from the expulsion to modern day communities in Israel, France and Montreal. In one humorous sequence, producer Vivian Kleiman and director Eugene Rostow capture a group of Moroccan Jews singing a song that bemoans their fate at ending up in Montreal, where "the snow reaches our waists."

An even more personal odyssey is traced by San Francisco film maker Bonnie Burt in her portrait of Rachel Amado Bortnick, a Sephardic Jew who came to California from Izmir, Turkey as a young college student. In *Trees Cry For Rain* Burt uses legends, music, ritual, and the preparation of food to depict the displaced life of one of the last of a generation of native speakers of Ladino (Hebrew Spanish).

Perhaps the most powerful of the Sephardic films, however, deals with a curious group seldom, if ever, depicted on celluloid. *The Last Marranos*, a doucmentary feature from Portugal by Frederic Brenner and Stan Neumann, reveals a community of Marranos (Jews whose ancestors converted to Catholicism in the 15th century to avoid persecution) who now practice a unique and fascinating blend of Catholicism and Jewish customs and rituals.

But the film which moved the Spaniards most was about the Spanish Civil War. Director Judy Montell, in her Academy Award nominated *Forever Activists! Stories of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade*, recaptures the experiences of North Americans who went to fight against Franco's revolt as a way to stop fascism in its infancy. What makes this a Jewish film, or at least justifies it being shown at a Jewish Film Festival, is not only the disproportionate number of Jews who fought with the Brigade, but also their stories of Yiddish as the shared language which allowed them to communicate with volunteers from other parts of the world.

Over 20 other films were shown at the Madrid Jewish Film Festival, and almost every one had a strong emotional impact on the audience. If any one incident captures the essence of the Festival, it was the response of a Spanish Catholic woman.

After a Sephardic film, with tear-filled eyes, she related that her Catholic grandmother had sung one of the Ladino songs in the film to her when she was a little girl. Now, for the first time in her life, she wondered if her family might at one time have been Jewish.

(John Stuart Katz is professor of film at York University, Toronto, where he teaches a course on the Image of the Jew in Film. His most recent book is Image Ethnics, Oxford University Press.)

Books and tapes make really great Chanukah gifts

By LEILA SPEISMAN

Some of the most memorable Chanukah gifts are not the glitzy stuff, but rather the books and tapes that we can read and listen to over and over again, and always enjoy.

A recently published book for teenage girls is *Bittersweet Beginnings* by Hedy Fleischmann and her daughter Devora.

Loosely (but markedly, to Torontonians familiar with that milieu) based on Bais Yaakov High School and the Thornhill community, it is the story of Vicki, a girl new to Toronto and also new to religious observance.

She becomes part of a group of long-time friends, and her relationship with them serves to illuminate their personalities and cast a light on Orthodox Jewish teenagers, not to mention Orthodoxy in general.

This is by no means the sugar-coated, idealistic picture of girls like those found in many American books of this genre. One girl is a snob, one is into food fads, one is neglected by her business-occupied parents. All have to fight against an ingrained hesitancy (dare we suggest prejudice?) against the newly religious.

However, the girls do work through their troubles, growing in the process, sometimes alone, sometimes with help from their peers, teachers and families — just like real people do.

A very worthwhile and enjoyable book. One looks forward to more books in the series.

Religion has become a fashionable part of mystery books these days. One has only to think of Faye Kellerman, to see how effectively this can be done.

Lee Harris, who writes a series of mystery books about Christine Bennett, a former nun, has put his heroine in the unfamiliar (for her) role of first trying to help a Jewish Holocaust survivor, then, when he is killed, trying to ferret out his story and his killer (*The Yom Kippur Murder*.

While there are certain errors in the Judaism of the book, they are the kind that well-meaning non-Jews, trying to relate Jewish practice to their own, might very well make.

Meanwhile, her working through the past of a small group of Holocaust survivors, and her trying to understand a man with seemingly two faces, makes for a good Sunday-afternoon read.

Two interesting tapes have come out recently that are well worth considering for your collection.

Shlock Rock: We're Coming Back, is part of a series of tapes in which Jewish themes are set to modern rock music, usually very effectively.

This tape is a little different, in that side B is traditional Hebrew selections. Particularly effective is Hiney lo yanum v'lo yeeshan shomer Yisroel (Behold, He neither slumbers nor sleeps — the Guardian of Israel).

It's nice to have Shlock Rock back. The mixture of English rock and more traditional makes it a terrific gift for kids or adults.

David Montefiore, cantor Temple Beth El of the Shore Area, in New Jersey, has issued a tape called *Hazzan Rishon: first cantorial recitativi*, a selection of cantorial and synagogue music that is a real find.

Montefiore sang as a boy soprano soloist for the renowned cantor Moshe Koussevitsky, and his influence can be heard both in the voice, the singing style and the music.

There is a combination of classical chazanut, such as Bre Shmai and an almost oriental style Der Ner Tomid. A passionate V'Yerusalyim Ircho from the Shemonah Esrai is truly thrilling as is the tender and heart-breaking Moishelach, Shloimelach, a song lamenting the disappearance of Jewish children from Poland during the Holocaust.

The tape builds in intensity to the concluding song, Ad Heinu Azorunu, a Yossele Rosenblatt selection performed in operatic fashion.

For anyone who likes cantorial music, this is a perfect gift.

Even Chanukah gifts are high-tech these days. Frieda Rubin has prepared a video teaching Jewish baking, specifically challah, mandelbrodt, and knishes, that is a delight.

Those of us unlucky enough not to have had a grandmother (or mother) show us how to bake, this is a real find. She demonstrates, in a down-to-earth, clear manner how to make these taste treats, and makes it look simple enough to make you run out and buy the yeast.

Special hints, like piercing mandelbrodt dough before baking, are welcome. And it's nice to see a cooking demonstration where tablespoons are measured in soupspoons occasionally.

The only criticism is of Rubin's trivializing attempt to explain the ritual of taking challah, a hearkening back to the Temple sacrifices. Someone who took the time to prepare such an excellent video could have spared a minute to call a rabbi to check the facts — or left the subject alone.

Be that as it may, this is a delightful video, perfect for the cook on your list.

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Following the food theme, two excellent cookbooks arrived recently.

The International Kosher Cookbook, edited by Batia Plotch and Patricia Cobe, is a tribute to the 92nd Street Y kosher cooking school in New York. Kosher versions of many ethnic cuisines are featured, including Chinese, Italian and Mexican.

Just try not to be tempted by caramel chicken from the Caribbean and gratin of fresh peaches and bananas from Paris!

Also a delight is *California Kosher*, a collection of recipes from the Women's League of Adat Ari El Synagogue in North Hollywood, California. That area's fascination with exotic salads and food combinations combined with a love of traditional Jewish cooking makes for a first-rate cookbook.

Sun-dried tomatoes and spinach kugel for lunch? Why not?

All these books are available from Jewish book stores, including Israel's.

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Germany must fight all racists

Belatedly, the German government is awakening from its blissful slumber. Jolted by the upsurge of thuggish neo-Nazi violence, and cognizant of nation-wide anti-Nazi demonstrations and surveys which indicate that most Germans condemn nazism unequivocably, Germany, finally, has begun to crack down on its homegrown fascist fringe.

Yet Germany's response, while certainly welcome, remains incomplete. As of last week, neo-Nazis were still running riot, and foreigners, mainly asylum seekers, were still facing daily terror from the radical right.

Germany, in the past month or so, has outlawed two xenonophobic and anti-Semitic groups, the Nationalist Front and the German Alternative party. It has banned the sale, manufacture and distribution of music by five neo-Nazi rock groups whose lyrics glorify racism and even genocide. It has established a new police unit to monitor and combat Hitlerite vermin. Henceforth, federal police will be called in promptly to deal with neo-Nazi provocations should regional and local forces fail to respond properly. Chancellor Helmut Kohl has pledged to use the full force of the law to confront neo-Nazis.

It's important to recognize that there is no ultimate solution to the problem posed by neo-Nazism. The poison they spout and disseminate cannot be eradicated completely. Even if they are driven underground, where they doubtless belong, neo-Nazis will not disappear. Every society has its share of extremists, malcontents and kooks who would undermine the peace, stability and good name of a nation.

But even after this factor is taken into consideration, it is surely possible for Germany to act with greater dispatch to contain this cancerous growth.

Contrary to popular misconception, the government has the constitutional powers to combat right-wing radicalism vigorously. As Werner Smoydzin, the former chief of Germany's domestic intelligence service, told the *Toronto Star*: "We have sufficient laws on the books to deal with... right-wing radicals now."

In the 1970s and 1980s, when left-wing terror plagued West Germany, the authorities were not loathe to crush that anarchy. There is no reason whatsoever why reunited Germany cannot be as assertive with respect to right-wing terrorism — which besmirches Germany's overseas reputation, summons up ugly images of the Third Reich and drives away potential foreign investors.

It's clear that Germany should extend its ban of neo-Nazi groups. All such organizations should be outlawed. Germany, too, should be tougher on publishers of neo-Nazi propaganda. And German citizens who brandish Nazi symbols and the stiff-arm Hitler salute should suffer the legal consequences. Astonishingly, the judiciary has been far too lenient with neo-Nazi scum. It's a shocking indictment of the criminal justice system that the harshest sentence meted out to a neo-Nazi this year was 8½ years for manslaughter.

Neo-Nazis do not just shout and stamp their jackbooted feet. They desecrate Holocaust memorials and Jewish cemeteries. They throw firebombs into foreigners' hostels. They engage in outright murder. They threaten to bring down the established order. They are a clear and present danger, and judges should not minimize their dastardly crimes.

As well, the political leadership, particularly Chancellor Kohl, must be considerably more outspoken in addressing this issue. They must treat it as a top-priority matter. Until very recently, unfortunately, Chancellor Kohl was neither sufficiently vigilant nor concerned by neo-Nazi outbreaks, possibly because he was pandering to far rightist sentiment in his Christian Democratic Union party. Such was his apparent laissez-faire attitude that neither he nor any members of his cabinet had the sense, or the simple decency, to visit the town of Moelln after the recent arson murder of three Turks.

Neo-Nazism, in its present form, cannot topple the government. The Germany of 1992 is not the Germany of 1932. The ill-fated Weimar Republic was ravaged by the Depression, burdened by an authoritarian political tradition and afflicted by an instability directly connected with Germany's defeat in World War I. Contemporary Germany is different. It is economically strong, despite a looming recession and the staggering costs of integrating western and eastern Germany. It is politically stable, with a definite commitment to Western democracy.

But Germany should not be complacent — not after the long nightmare of National Socialism. Germany, in its own best interests, should declare total war on the malignancy of neo-Nazism.

It cannot afford to do anything less.

SIGNS OF GOODWILL

An Israeli soldier bites into an Arab sweet offered to him by a Palestinian with a "kiffyeh" draped over his shoulders. The solider was given the snack when Israel released a Palestinian prisoner and allowed him a brief family visit after the man's son was shot and killed by Israeli soldiers. [RNS PHOTO/Reuters]

Letters to the Editor

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CIC WAS OMITTED

Thank you for the fine coverage (*CJN*, Dec. 10) of our recent program marking the 25th anniversary of the UN Security Council Resolution 242. May we point out however, that the Canada-Israel Committee conceived and organized the evening, in conjunction with the five major Jewish organizations which were acknowledged in the article.

Janet Horowitz
Canada-Israel Committee
Toronto

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WHY IS POPE SILENT?

I have just finished reading the book *God's First Love* written by an Austrian Catholic priest, Frederic Heer. It came to my knowledge what role the Catholic Church played before and during World War II.

As a survivor of Nazi bestiality, I am deeply distressed when listening and reading of activity of those who try to change the facts of history. In my anger I am wondering why the present head of the Vatican, the Polish Pope, who himself was a witness of atrocities committed on Jews in Poland, does not come out with the truth about what happened in the centre of European civilization in the 20th century.

Bronka Zimmermann
Montreal

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RUSSIANS HELPED HER

I want to correct the mistakes which appeared in the article entitled Storytellers, musicians enchant (Nov. 5/92).

When Toby Klodawski Flam was fleeing Poland in 1939, she was 27 years old, not a young teenager.

Although Toby went through many hardships during the war, as did everybody at that time, she considers herself very lucky. She did not go through the hell of a concentration camp. She fled east to the safety of the Soviet Union. In fact, there were so many good Russian people that helped her with food, money and work that her experience in Russian was for her like heaven. She remembers and appreciates the help she received at that time and would like it to be publicly recognized.

It is totally untrue that Toby was in a Soviet labor camp.

Leslie Robbins
Toronto

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SCOTIAMcLEOD

As an active participant in the financial services industry, I have followed the Simon Israel/ScotiaMcLeod story with much interest. Your article of Nov. 5, intentionally or otherwise, conveys an unbalanced and unfair view of the situation, in that it reinforces a conclusion that anti-Semitism is endemic in the industry, in particular in those companies.

That Mr. Simon Israel, the former employee in ScotiaMcLeod's New York office, was the victim of anti-Semitic remarks has been admitted by his employers, and according to reports, those employees were reprimanded and demoted. If ScotiaMcLeod did in fact have an anti-Semitic policy, then it would have been very easy, in spite of equal opportunity laws, to avoid hiring Simon Israel in the first place.

I speak up for the defence of the companies because the actions of a few executives do not characterize the policies or reputation of the entire corporation. A corporation or an institution is a reflection of the attitudes of its senior officers, and in this case the suggestion of embedded anti-Semitism is false.

Austin Taylor, the chairman and chief executive officer of ScotiaMcLeod, served as co-chairman of a campaign several years ago to raise funds for Ben Gurion University of the Negev. I believe he was also active in a more recent Mount Sinai Hospital endeavor, and is a director of the hospital. I have had business dealings with him and his firm over many years, and at no time have I sensed any such attitude.

Tom Kierans was president of ScotiaMcLeod from 1979-1989. Kierans currently serves as non-executive chairman of First Marathon Inc., a major investment dealer controlled by Lawrence Bloomberg, a prominent member of the Jewish community. The relationship between Kierans and Bloomberg goes back over many years and is personal as well as business based.

Peter Godsoe is a vice-chairman and director of the Bank of Nova Scotia since 1982, where he has been employed for over 25 years. His resume includes a directorship of the Mount Sinai Hospital, and last year he was one of the honorees at the annual dinner of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

Michael Scott, a vice-chairman of ScotiaMcLeod, served as chairman of Sunnybrook Health Centre for five years to July 1992. I have worked with Michael for over seven years at Sunnybrook and at no time did I sense any anti-Jewish feelings with respect to myself or any member of the faculty, staff, or board at that institution.

None of the above persons has spoken to me about the incident, nor have I sought their permission to use their names in this correspondence. However, I feel strongly that the tone of the article conveyed the notion of pervasive anti-Semitism, and that is patently false.

Great strides have been made in this community and country over the past several decades in the integration of meritorious business people of the Jewish faith into the business hierarchy.

The vigilance and positive action of the many agencies within our community to ensure equality of opportunity have contributed immeasurably to the high esteem in which many Jewish businessmen are held, and their successful penetration into senior positions in major corporate life. To find an anti-Semite behind each closed door or each aborted transaction is sheer nonsense.

Austin C. Beutel
Toronto, Ont.

Opinion

Aliyah key to Israel's future security

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Everyone agrees that a continuous increase in aliyah is the key to Israel's future security. The stronger and more numerous the population of the land, the less it will be exposed to attack and erosion. The news is good in this respect, albeit not as overwhelming as it was during the heyday of Operation Exodus. Here are some facts and figures.

Immigration from the former Soviet Union (CIS). According to popular impressions, aliyah from the CIS has all but dried up. Quite on the contrary. Olim are presently arriving at the rate of 6,000 a month, and by the end of the civic year there will have been 65,000 new immigrants. Dr. Baruch Gur, head of the Jewish Agency's unit for the CIS and Eastern Europe, estimates that if things continue as at present, the year 1993 will see some 100,000 immigrants making their way to Israel. Of course, if there were to be a collapse of the Russian economy or a major deterioration in its political situation, there would be another larger aliyah similar to that of earlier years.

Where the Jews are coming from. Dr. Gur points to so called "hot spots" — places of civil unrest. Among these are the Muslim Republics, the Caucasus, Moldava, as well as small towns in Russia and the Ukraine, particularly from the Ural mountains and Siberia. During the last few years, more than half of all the Jews in Armenia, Moldava and Azerbijan have come to Israel, as have 40 percent of Jews from Belorus, Tajikastan, and Uzbekistan. So far one fifth of Russia's Jews have made aliyah, some 150,000 altogether.

Rabbi Plaut

How many are left? The latest statistics for the approximate number of Jews left in the CIS is provided by the National Conference on Soviet Jewry. Some million and a half Jews are left in the country, most of them in Russia, Ukraine and Uzbekistan. An additional 47,000 live in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

In contemplating these figures, one must ask whatever happened to the reputed 3 million or more that lived in the Soviet Union. Apparently, assimilation has claimed about half of them, about the same number as those who still identify themselves as Jews and who are Israel's major reservoir of aliyah.

Doctors from the CIS. The Israel Defence Force (IDF) has instituted a special program of integrating physicians from the CIS, with special training provided for this purpose. Lt. Gen. Boaz Lev, who heads the medical services of the IDF, is happy with this development and praises the olim as highly motivated.

Returning Israelis. The Israeli Consulate in Toronto has reported a record number of Israelis living abroad who have registered their intentions of returning to Israel. In 1991 there were 366 such applications at the consulate, while in the first five months of 1992 there were more than 1,200. Economic reasons are cited most often, along with social differences, and a desire to provide an Israeli-Jewish education for the children.

Shabbat Olim was observed in Israel on Nov. 7 in over 100 synagogues of all streams of Judaism: Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform, as well as during Shabbat services at several kibbutzim and moshavim. The Torah portion for the Shabbat was Lech-lecha, which deals with God's injunction to Abraham to go to the land of Israel.

The annual event, which included dinners, symposia on aliyah, and Torah lessons relating to Abraham's "aliyah," has been organized for the last six years by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel and the Absorption Ministry, to remind the public that olim arrive here every day.

Maccabees' victory was far from perfect

By IRVING GREENBERG

"And they lived happily ever after . . ." All the world loves the fadeout into a golden sunset as the happy lovers, united and wed, face eternal bliss together.

Most everyone imagines that Judah Maccabee's victory and the miracle of the reconsecration of the Temple (which we celebrate by lighting the Chanukah menorah) is the happy ending of the Maccabee story. The historical record shows quite a different picture.

First, the facts. Jews increasingly assimilated to Hellenistic culture in second-century (BCE) Israel. In 175 BCE, Antiochus IV seized power in the Seleucid Empire, which controlled Israel. Antiochus replaced the High Priest with a Hellenizing Jew, Jason, and authorized him to set up a citizen community in Jerusalem, practising Greek customs and exempt from Jewish law.

In 172 BCE, a more extreme Hellenizer, Menelaus, bought the High Priesthood by pledging greater revenues to Antiochus. To produce the money, Menelaus taxed and robbed — even from the Temple vessels. His behavior led to a bloody riot by pious Jews.

In 167 BCE, responding to complaints by citizens of the Hellenizing Jerusalem community, Antiochus massacred pious Jews. Cracking down further, Antiochus decreed, on penalty of death, that Jews must cease observing the Torah. A polytheistic cult — including pagan sacrifices and sacred prostitution — was imposed.

Within the year, Mattathias and the Hasmonean family revolted. In 165 and 164, Judah Maccabee defeated Seleucid armies and won the backing of Rome. A settlement was negotiated. The cult was removed and permission to observe Torah granted. The Temple was purified.

On the 25th of Kislev, the miracle of the Maccabee victory and the reconsecration of the Temple was celebrated for eight days. This is the Chanukah holiday that we observe today.

But what happened after the miracle?

Satisfied that they had attained their religious freedom, the Hasidim, the extreme Pietist wing, were uninterested in (and some even hostile to) the Hasmonean government.

Shortly, Antiochus IV died. His successor, Antiochus V, and his regent, Lysias, invaded Judea. The Jews were defeated. Judah's brother, Eleazar, was killed. The Maccabees fled to the mountains.

In 160, the Hasmoneans were crushed by a Seleucid army at Elasa. Judah was killed. The revolt flickered and all but died with the acquiescence of Hasidim and Hellenizers alike.

The Maccabees were saved by wars between aspirants for the Seleucid kingship. The various contenders sought Maccabee support. So Jonathan, Judah's brother, was recognized as High Priest and governor of Judea.

Then in 143 BCE, Jonathan was treacherously taken prisoner by a military commander and supposed ally, Tryphon. Simon, the fourth Hasmonean brother, then rallied the Jews. Tryphon's rival, Demetrius II, recognized Simon as High Priest and granted Judea virtual independence.

This was the beginning of the Maccabee era of independence -- 23 years after the Chanukah miracle!

Even this was not the end. Further Seleucid dynastic struggles led to further assaults on Simon. Only John Hyrcanus, Simon's son and successor, was able to establish a solid long-term government.

Yet, the temporary victories of the Maccabees saved Judaism. During the breathing space, Judaism successfully integrated elements of Hellenist culture without yielding its own distinctive character.

The Pharisees — many descended from the camp of the Hasidim who failed Judah Maccabee — were able to develop. Eventually, they created the ideas and popular support that enabled Judaism to respond effectively to the later challenges of destruction and exile.

In a way, the fumbling, volatile, endless struggles of the Maccabees for independence were as decisive — as miraculous — in saving the Jews as the miracle of the first Chanukah!

Despite the decadence of the later Maccabee dynasties, most Jews understood that flawed victories and imperfect national status in their time was a part of the sacred history of the Jewish people, just like the biblical events.

In every generation, the ongoing redemptions prove the continuing divine presence and the maturing role of the Jewish people as covenantal partners. Repeatedly, Jewish steadfastness has provided the miracle after the miracle that insured the eternity of Jewry.

In our century, the State of Israel is the Chanukah of our time. Yet, the persistence of problems — repeated wars, the coarsening moral fiber, secularization, materialism — have led to some disillusion.

After the Yom Kippur War, even so distinguished a Zionist and religious leader as Norman Lamm, president of Yeshiva University in New York, declared that he no longer used the phrase "the beginning of the flowering of the redemption" in the prayer for Israel.

In a recent symposium in *Tradition*, the chief rabbi emeritus of the British Empire spoke of shattered illusions, while many liberal rabbis have proclaimed that Israel has lost its guiding role for American Jewry.

People are naturally frustrated and sometimes disillusioned by endless problems. But is not history witness that maturity and day-to-day persistence win the important victories?

There is no need to flee from the struggles of an Israel that is hard to live in, to the nirvana of instant Messianism — either in Gush Emunim or Lubavitch versions.

Maturely, the bulk of Jewry has supported Israel faithfully through military, political, economic — and public relations — ups and down.

Today, Israel is stronger, its population larger, its prospects for peace and economic growth better than ever. That is the miracle after the miracle that we are still in the process of fully realizing.

Perhaps this is the lesson of the Chanukah candle-lighting pattern. Some rabbis suggested lighting eight candles the first day, seven the second day, etc., to match the depletion in the oil supply in the Temple as the miracle unfolded.

Jewish law ruled, however, that in sacred matters, we build up rather than build down. We increase from one to two lights, etc. — on the last night we light eight candles.

Is that not a lesson that the full miracle — and the task of building our new redeemed/unredeemed reality — is only now beginning?

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A Chanukah tale of five menorahs

By ERICA MEYER RAUZIN

One menorah. I was a single woman, spending most holiday evenings with friends, or working such long hours that evening rituals often passed me by. One menorah was plenty, and it got used two or three evenings during Chanukah. After that, the rest of the candles rattled around in the kitchen drawer for six months or so and then got thrown out.

Two menorahs. We were newlyweds, with my old, beat up menorah and a new shiny one, a wedding present wrought in lovely metals. We felt warm and wonderful having our own candle-lighting, our own home, our own holiday together for the first time.

Three menorahs. A baby changes Chanukah. We had a tiny little third menorah at first, so small it used birthday-cake candles. Our April baby was just barely old enough at her first Chanukah to grin toothlessly at the candles and to gum her gifts. She smiled and slapped her hands on her high chair tray and tried to catch the dancing flames, which were — in her opinion — much too far out of her reach.

Four menorahs. Our August baby was too little for her first Chanukah to make much of an impression on her, but her menorah, our fourth added depth to the holiday for us. The baby's big sister made it for her in nursery school. It was a strip of board, painted with pink poster paint, that had nine, upside-down metal bottle caps glued to it. It took a half hour to melt enough wax off the bottom of each candle to get them all to stand in place, but the junior carpenter's pride of craftsmanship was boundless, and the combined light of our four menorahs was a sight to behold. The baby cooed and smiled and fell asleep when the rest of us were eating latkes.

Erica Meyer Rauzin

Five menorahs. It's different having a boy after two girls, a February boy who understood enough about his first Chanukah to begin to expect little presents to come his way after the first couple of nights. "His" menorah, proudly produced by his second sister, was a painted clay hotdog with nine careful holes poked in it. It rested on one semi-flat side steadily enough to hold its allocated candles, at least for a short while, before it slowly keeled over. We propped it up with a teaspoon, and it served beautifully.

The kids faces, slightly saffron-colored in the candlelight, change so much from year to year. They grow older so quickly. The babyhood delight at anything new changes to childlike anticipation of wonderful treats, which in turn, gives way to mixed pre-adolescent messages of forthright greed and subdued wonder at the meaning beyond the presents.

As the children grow, our five menorahs continue to provide a cheerful combined conflagration each night of Chanukah. We try each year to keep the children involved with our family celebration, as friends and parties beckon. We try to make the saga of the Maccabees compelling, the miracle meaningful. We spin the dreidel and play games with the letters symbolizing "A Great Miracle Happened There."

We were discussing our various customs recently with a friend who was in Israel during Chanukah last year. He stopped at a shop in Jerusalem to buy a few gifts to take home, and picked up a dreidel. He looked at it, and then went to speak to the salesman.

"One letter on this dreidel is wrong," he told the clerk.

"No," the clerk responded. "It is correct. Look."

He gave the dreidel a little spin on the counter top. "Notice the fourth letter again," he said, as the little top tipped over, clattered and lay still. "In Israel, the last initial is different on purpose. Our dreidels say, 'A Great Miracle Happened Here'."

The Israeli dreidel is right: Chanukah's great miracle happened there. But as our children gather in the candle glow, I think we too could spin an Israeli dreidel, for a great miracle happens here, as well, in every home where the candles' flames illuminate the path from the past and the way to the future. From our house to yours, may the menorahs of Chanukah bring you light and joy.

Features

Revival began in Chernovsty

[In his continuing series on Ukraine, Sheldon Kirshner reports from Chernovsty].

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

It all started in Chernovsty, a city whose old quarter is redolent of 19th century Vienna.

Here, in 1988, in the third year of glasnost and perestroika, a coterie of Jewish activists tested the limits of Mikhail Gorbachev's reform policies, hoping to plant the seeds of a Jewish cultural revival in Ukraine, then a Soviet republic.

They had modest goals. They organized a Hebrew study group. They cleaned up the decrepit, weed-choked Jewish cemetery on the outskirts of town.

Such activities were illegal or barely tolerated in the Soviet Union, explained a member of that original group, Iosef Zissels, now chairman of the Kiev-based Association of Jewish Organizations and Communities of Ukraine.

As it happened, the authorities did not react, although one conservative, Communist-controlled newspaper in Chernovsty criticized Zissels and his fellow Jews for their so-called audacity. Four years on, the Jewish cultural revival, such as it is, has taken root in Chernovsty.

Zissels believes that it took hold in this part of Ukraine first because Soviet power was not as entrenched here as, say, in Kiev or Kharkiv (Kharkov). Before the Red Army occupied this graceful city of fin de siecle architecture, cobblestone streets and heroic statuary, Western influence here in Bukovina had been pervasive.

From 1775 to 1918, Chernovsty, then known as Czernowitz, was administered by the Austrian monarchy. Falling into Romanian hands after World War I, Chernovsty was subsequently renamed Cernauti. In 1940, the Soviet Union occupied Chernovsty. One year later, Nazi Germany and its ally, Romania, marched in, only to be ejected by the Red Army in 1944. Since Ukraine's declaration of independence in August 1991, Chernovsty has been a Ukrainian city.

Anywhere from 6,000 to 10,000 Jews live in Chernovsty today, whose total population exceeds 200,000. Chernovsty was home to 70,000 Jews in 1970; 50,000 in 1941; 43,000 in 1919.

The golden age of the Jewish community stretchhed from 1867, the year Jews were officially emancipated, until 1914, the outbreak of World War I. Jews, as writer Israel Chalfen observes, were in the forefront of change. They were leaders of the industrial revolution that brought prosperity. They managed estates and contributed greatly to the modernization of agriculture. They were patrons of the arts.

Apart from Yiddish, they spoke German, a German of "Austrian informality and Slavic breadth, interwoven with Yiddish idioms," notes Chalfen.

Chernovsty was the home of Paul Celan, the renowned poet; Abraham Goldfaden, the Yiddish playwright; and Josef Schmidt, the great tenor.

The community suffered hardships during World War I, when Chernovsty passed from hand to hand between the Austrians and the Russians. But nothing could prepare Jews for the sheer horror of the combined German and Romanian occupation after July 1941.

Jewish homes and shops were attacked. Anti-Jewish measures went into force. A ghetto was established. Intellectuals and rabbis were murdered. Synagogues were desecrated and burned. Thousands were deported to concentration camps in Transnistria.

According to Leiser Singer, chairman of the Association of Former Prisoners of Concentration Camps and Ghettos, upwards of 91,000 Jews from Bukovina perished during the Holocaust, while some 16,000 survived. Due to Soviet policy, the survivors were not permitted to collect West German reparations. But thanks to a recent agreement between Germany and the Conference of Material Claims Against Germany, up to 50,000 Jews in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union will be eligible for such payments.

After World War II, the majority of the survivors emigrated. In many cases, their places were filled by Jews from neighboring regions, including Bessarabia.

Jewish cultural and religious life was harshly suppressed by the victorious Soviets. Pinkas Luttinger, a 67-year-old mathematics and physics professor who was born and raised in Chernovsty, witnessed the entire process.

The Yiddish theatre was closed, the authorities claiming it was a money-losing venture. Jewish schools were shut down, while synagogues were converted into movie theatres, workshops and storehouses. The authorities allowed one synagogue to function.

Emulating the Nazis, the Soviets even set fire to Yiddish books. "I saw it with my own eyes," said Luttinger indignantly.

Two days after a local rabbi delivered a sermon marking the birth of Israel, he disappeared, never to be seen again. Luttinger, though shocked, was not overly surprised. In 1940, when the Soviets rolled into Chernovsty, they banned Zionist organizations and sent thousands of Jews — usually businessmen and intellectuals — into exile in Siberia.

Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, Moscow continued its crackdown on the community. Jews were cut loose from the moorings of their culture and religion, subjected to state anti-Semitism at the workplace and singled out for discrimination by universities in their admission policy.

"What they (the Communist powers-that-be) did to us still burns in our hearts," said Luttinger bitterly.

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The jewel in the community's crown is surely the Jewish day school, which, before its latest reincarnation, was a Russian school, a teachers' institute and a Yiddish school.

Opened shortly after the failed hardline Communist coup attempt of August 1991, the school has 237 students, aged 7 to 16.

It offers a full curriculum of general and Jewish subjects. By common consent, Hebrew, rather than Yiddish, is taught. The staff consists of 26 teachers, all of whom have been trained in Israel. The principal is Boris Wolman, 60, an educator. The general manager, Ira Boyko, is in her 30s.

At first, Wolman disclosed, the municipality was not keen about the idea of a Jewish day school. But after Ukrainian independence, attitudes changed. Indeed, one of the patrons of the school is none other than the Ukrainian president, Leonid Kravchuk, who sent a congratulatory telegram to coincide with the opening.

Initially, the school was squeezed into a small building with only four rooms. But last August, it took possession of a spacious structure, which will enable Wolman to increase attendance and to add a dining room and a gym.

Despite assistance from Israel and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the school is short of books and lab equipment. "We are looking for sponsors, maybe from Canada," said Wolman.

Soviets suppressed Jewish culture and religion

The Sunday school, which was inaugurated last September, has 80 students. Due to a lack of funds, Yiddish cannot be taught.

Aside from a paltry budget, both schools suffer from two basic deficiencies.

All too often, teachers emigrate. "Everyone thinks about emigration," said Boyko, who is also a member of the presidium of the Association of Jewish Organizations and Communities of Ukraine. "For mainly economic reasons, it's hard to live in Ukraine. But, on the other hand, Jews fear the prospect of unemployment in Israel."

As well, she added, graduates of teachers' courses in Israel return to Chernovsty without a proper grounding in local Jewish history and culture.

The Jewish community centre occupies several rooms in Chernovsty's cultural centre. Prior to World War II, the building belonged to the Jewish community. Inside is a library with books in Russian, Hebrew, Yiddish and English. The Israel Information and Cultural Centre, one of several in Ukraine, also maintains an office there.

A Jewish theatre does not exist in Chernovsty, and the sole synagogue is sometimes hard-pressed to round up a minyan. It has been years since Chernovsty had its own rabbi. A gabbai leads services. Non-Orthodox Jews have organized a loose Reform circle. By all accounts, kosher meat is practically unavailable.

Jewish school seeks support in Canada

The Jewish Cultural Society, which has been on the cutting edge of the Jewish awakening in Chernovsty, publishes a monthly newspaper in Yiddish and Russian.

The Maccabi Club, originally founded in 1913, was re-established after 50 years of dormancy in January 1990. Its 56 members range in age from 12 to 50. Emigration has drained the club, acknowledged its secretary, Boris Markovsky, a senior researcher in physical chemistry at the University of Chernovsty, whose campus reminds a visitor of Cambridge.

Markovsky, 45, has considered aliyah. "Some of my relatives are already in Israel," he said.

In the past four years, approximately 11,000 out of 23,000 Jews who've left Chernovsty have ended up in Israel.

Yitzhak Rosenberg, the son of Chernovsty's gabbai and an economist, plans to settle in Israel next year. "I don't feel anti-Semitism, but I fear it," he said. "I realize that jobs, and flats, are scarce in Israel. But it doesn't matter. I want my son, who's 11, to be a Jew."

Others, like 22-year-old Rostoslav (Rachmiel) Krayterman, are heading to the United States. "I want to continue my Jewish education in a yeshiva. I can't do it here." Krayterman, his mother and his grandparents hope to settle in New York City.

Still others, like photographer Yaacov Zimilevich, musician David Stepanovsky and road engineer Alec Elman, have contemplated emigration. But for family reasons, they have not moved.

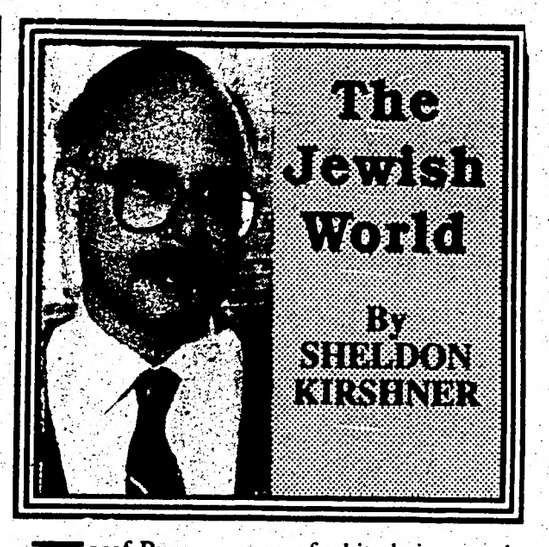
A minority, composed mainly of elderly and intermarried Jews, has rejected emigration.

"I may be crazy, but I love the city," said Luttinger. "I want to create a viable Jewish community here."

Yaacov Tau, the like-minded vice-president of Chernovsty's Ukrainian theatre, has had opportunies to emigrate. But because of his position and the fact that his children and grandchildren live in Chernovsty, he is content to remain in Ukraine.

"If we work hard, we can build a nice community in Chernovsty," Tau said. "But we need (financial) help from Jews in the Diaspora. We can't do it alone."

Chernovsty's Jewish day school [Sheldon Kirshner photo]



Josef Burg, a mane of white hair cascading down his neck, resembles a wizened hippy. He sits in his book-lined study, behind a cluttered desk, near a solemn portrait of Sholem Aleichem. "I don't want to be the last Yiddish writer in Chernovsty," he said with a touch of melancholy.

Sadly enough, Burg's fondest wish will probably remain unfulfilled. The Jewish population of Chernovsty — a Ukrainian industrial city close to the Romanian border — has steadily dwindled. And pitifully few young Jews have any knowledge of, much less interest in, Yiddish.

In the 19th and early 20th century, when Chernovsty was administered by the Austrians and known as Czernowitz, it was a vital centre of Yiddish — and German — culture. "The ordinary people spoke Yiddish," he recalled. "The bourgeois spoke German."

Here, in 1908, Yiddish was grandiloquently proclaimed a national language of the Jews at the first international congress on Yiddish. Czernowitz, ruled by Romania between the wars, was the hometown of Itzik Manger, the renowned Yiddish poet, novelist and dramatist. Jewish luminaries, ranging from Vladimir Jabotinsky to Chaim Weizmann, often stopped here to address the faithful.

Burg, the recipient of the 1992 Segal Prize for Yiddish, was not born in Chernovsty, but in the neighboring Bukovinian town of Vizhnitz, once the seat of a Chassidic dynasty.

In the Vizhnitz of his youth, virtually all the residents were Jewish, a melange of Chassidic and working-class Jews. It was a world unto itself, a shtetl culture completely uprooted and destroyed by the Nazis and their Romanian allies. Burg, now a spry 80, drew on Vizhnitz for inspiration.

Last of the Mohicans

He has written nine novels, notably *A Late Echo, Song of Songs, Lige Goes On* and *Crossroads of Time*. They have been translated into Ukrainian, Russian, German, Romanian and Hungarian, but not into English. "A professor in New York expressed an interest in translating my novels into English, but nothing came of the project."

Burg published his first stories in 1934 in a Yiddish literary journal called the *Czernowitzer Blatter*, which was summarily closed after Chernovsty was occupied by the Soviet Union. In the waning years of perestroika, Burg, president of the Jewish Cultural Society, resurrected the periodical, and now writes for and edits it.

Burg's writings have appeared in Canada and the United States. For years, he contributed to Montreal's *Kanader Adler*, and still sends pieces to the *Forward* in New York City.

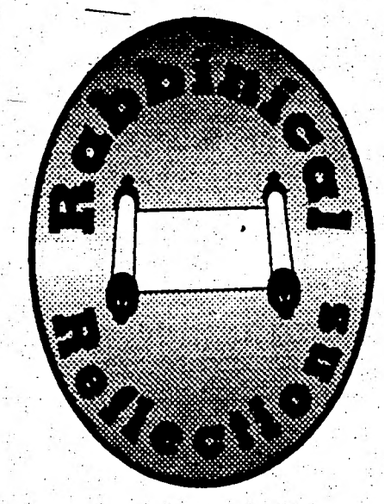
He has professional and personal ties with Montreal. The Jewish Public Library has issued video cassettes of his work. The Yiddish critic, Chaim Spielberg, is one of his admirers. And he corresponds with the widow of Melech Ravitch, the Yiddish writer who lived in Montreal.

When he was younger, Burg was sympathetic to Communist ideals, as was his brother, who fell in the Spanish Civil War. "We thought it meant something." But his idealism was dashed on the rocks of the Soviet occupation. Jewish schools and institutions were shut down. Yiddish writers were shot. Yiddish was throttled. Jews were forced to assimilate while enduring state-sanctioned anti-Semitism.

After the Germans temporarily ousted the Soviets from Chernovsty, Burg escaped to the Soviet Union. But his mother and sister did not survive the Nazi onslaught. They were murdered by the Nazis, buried alive. "My father was fortunate to die before the Germans arrived."

At the height of Moscow's anti-cosmopolitan campaign, Burg was dismissed from his job as a high school teacher in the Caucasus. He spent the darkest years of Stalinism in the far eastern Ukrainian region of Donesk. He refuses to discuss the topic. "I have told no journalist about this period."

Burg, who is married and has one grown daughter, intends to remain in Chernovsty. "I will not leave this place. Someone has to stay here and carry on the tradition. But I don't want to be the last of the Mohicans."



By RABBI AARON LEVINE

In my Chanukah article of this issue, I have contrasted the deification of the body by the Hellenists and the Jewish concept of the supremacy of the soul. The soul, of course, includes both the heart and the mind, the intellect.

I would think that if we were to ask almost any sane person which should be given priority in terms of the value and importance we ourselves should attach, and that which we should transmit to our children, the answer would be that cultivation of the mind comes before that of the body. Certainly this is one of the vital lessons of Chanukah.

I do not mean to negate the truth that to have a sound and well-functioning mind, one must be in good physical health and take care of the physical well-being of the body. It would appear to me, however, that society today (including ourselves) is transmitting to our youth the message that the body reigns supreme over the intellect.

I most now confess (and pray that I will not be shot as a traitor for so doing) that I have no personal interest in the Toronto Maple Leafs or the Blue Jays, or in sports in general, for that matter; and that I, too was swept at the very end into the excitement of the World Series. Allow me to elaborate on both of these sentiments.

We pray every Shabbos before Rosh Chodesh for *chilutz atzamos*, (bodily vigor and sound physical health). I am certainly all for physical exercise and personal physical participation in sports to the extent that they provide the necessary maintenance of physical well-being and health. I am also thrilled with the thought that sports is probably one of, if not *the* greatest deterrent to crime. How so? Well, I imagine that of the esimated 300 million people who watched any game of the World Series, some percentage of that figure would have otherwise been engaged in some form of crime — murder, robbery, rape. After all, open up any newspaper on any day and you will be treated to the daily statistics of the above. And, indeed, the media themselves presented us with the fact that on the night of the final game, a record was broken for the least amount of crime reported in North America on one night.

What bothers me, however, are a few, among other, of the following points. What messages are we giving to our children, and ourselves for that matter, when their idols and heroes become, not the great statesmen, not the great philanthropists, not even the great surgions or doctors, teachers or professors? Who do they idolize? I won't mention names but you are pobably better informed than I of the reported celebrated immoral escapades of so many of these "heroes".

And what messages are we giving when we pay our best doctors and teachers and other professionals a pittance compared to the astounding salaries of the sports heroes when two, illiterate and immoral pugilists (I am not referring to any particular boxers, just the possible scenario) can kill each other in the ring for ten minutes and walk away with a few million dollars each for having entertained the millions who are watching them; when a high-school dropout who can't talk properly but can hurl a ball at a 100 miles an hour (again I refer to no one in particular) can receive approximately $10,000 a pitch and in one game make more than 90 percent of people who sweat and toil an entire year to make a living for their family!

I am bothered by the fact that children fill their minds and thoughts and waste their God-given intellect on memorizing every nuance of the baseball and hockey statistics and scores. I would much rather that they use these divine gifts to memorize and to learn, to study and master any of the vast array of subjects that will contribute to their growth in wisdom and intellect. Is it any wonder that we see our educational systems failing, that many of our teenage youth are more interested in rock music, sex, drugs, and crime? Obviously I am not putting the blame for this solely on the shoulders of my peeve with idolization of sports. There is much else that contributes to this but the causes stem from the same roots.

I am bothered by the fact that we spend millions perhaps billions on the Olympic Games (a Hellenistic Greek invention), where athletes can devote their lives or at least four years of their lives to compete in a 60-second event and lose by 12 one-hundredths of a second. Why are gold medals only given to those who can run or swim a 100-metre in so many seconds? Why not give gold medals to those who can also excel in matters of the intellect?

I am not oblivious to the so-called redeeming factors of the above: the fostering of healthy competition; the building of strength, character, and determination; the creation of team spirit and co-operation; and the friendship that is built between countries. But let's call a spade a spade and straighten out our priorities. Who ultimately gains? The few thousand players; the team owners; the gamblers. At what price?

Chanukah! The legacy that Jewry gives to the world. The supremacy of the *neshama*, the soul, the heart and intellect over the body — the spiritual over the physical. Let us teach that lesson to ourselves as we light up our memorahs.

Happy Chanukah!

(Rabbi Aaron Levine is a Toronto educator, lecturer and author.)

Settlers may lose their benefits

JERUSALEM (JTA)—

The Israeli government is considering a plan that sharply limits the number of West Bank settlements qualifying for tax breaks and other special benefits.

Jewish communities outside the pre-1967 borders that remain entitled to these concessions are singled out in a proposal submitted to the Cabinet by a government committee headed by Shimon Shevas, director-general of the Prime Minister's Office.

They appear to be a pointer to a distinction made by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin between "political" settlements in the territories, which should not be encouraged, and "security" settlements, which should.

Under the plan, benefits would continue to the Gush Katif cluster of settlements near Gaza; Efrat and other communities of the Gush Etzion bloc south of Jerusalem; and settlements along the Jordan River.

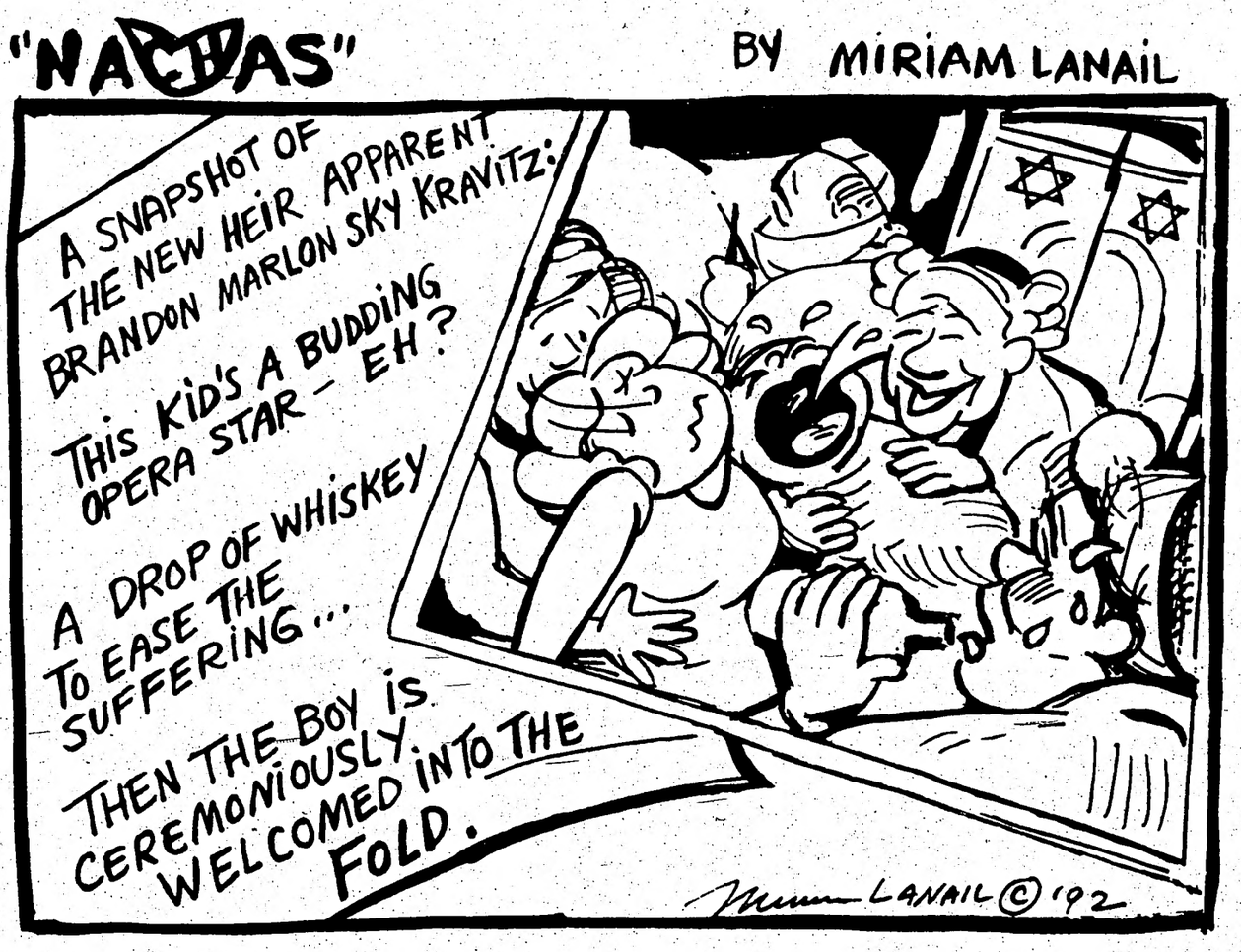
But the withdrawal of benefits to all other settlements in the territories marks a sharp departure from the emphasis placed by the previous Likud administration on Jewish settlement in these areas.

Shevas said the plan reflects a new order of priorities by the Labor-led government, which took office five months ago.

High-tech industries in the capital and the post-1967 settlements in its environs would get a boost under the plan's provision to grant special status to greater Jerusalem.

News reports said the plan would probably lead to a significant slowdown in the creation of new industries beyond the "Green Line" and perhaps even a relocation of some businesses to within the pre-1967 borders.

The opposition Likud bloc said the plan is part of a larger government effort to discourage West Bank settlement and reflects where it is headed politically.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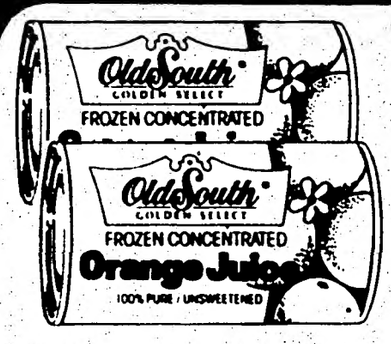

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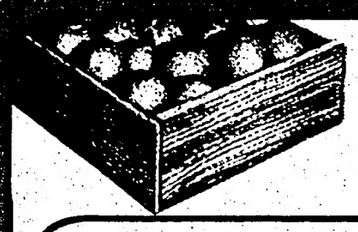

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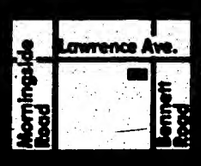

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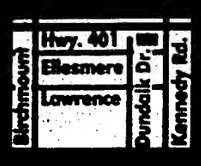

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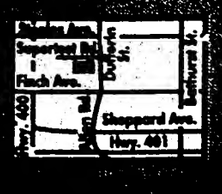

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North York disbands race relations body

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Mayor Mel Lastman is defending his city's recent decision to disband North York's "completely useless" race relations committee, but critics are blasting the move as "despicable" and unwise.

Lastman told *The CJN* that North York's council voted to disband the committee, bring it under municipal control, cut its membership in half and chop its budget because it was "not producing anything. It's completely useless."

Ironically, the announcement came just days before a riot erupted in Mel Lastman Square over an attempt by Macedonian-Canadians to raise the flag of newly-independent Macedonia (see story, page 2).

Lastman did not consult the committee before he agreed to the flag-raising but he said he will refer the matter to it now.

The mayor said the committee, founded in 1979 by Rabbi Gunther Plaut, was bereft of ideas.

"We always supported them when they had ideas but there was a lack of ideas [later on]. You don't just ask for money when you have no ideas.

"We couldn't get them to change. They were the most stubborn committee you ever saw."

Lastman said the committee will be "downsized to function better."

The committee's 20 members, composed of 10 citizens' representatives and 10 representatives of institutions — all unpaid — will be scaled back to 10 members of the public, who will have to apply for the positions and be approved by city council.

Fully independent since its founding, save for its funding by the city, the committee will now report to North York's executive committee.

The committee's 12-year executive assistant, whose annual salary was $54,000, has been axed. The $67,000-a-year executive director, Richard Gostling, will be kept on.

Lastman said the executive assistant's job was cut because she worked four days a week and "nobody makes that kind of money" for part-time work. (In fact, the executive assistant had been working five days a week since early last year).

Outreach planned

The committee had an operating budget of $40,000 a year. The city says that money will be put into community outreach projects.

On being informed of the development — via a fax signed by North York Councillor Judy Sgro — Bernie Farber, chair of the committee since 1990, resigned in disgust, as did all but two of the citizens' representatives.

Farber told *The CJN* he was "shocked" at the "surprise" announcement.

Bringing the committee under municipal control "will change the complexion of race relations."

"Many immigrants carry a fear from the old country of authority and government. [The committee] has taken 13 years to build up a savings account of trust with ethnic communities. Now, that's been stripped away completely," Farber said.

Farber and committee members called a press conference last week to denounce the changes. Earlier, committee member Roger Rowe called the move "despicable" and "an insult."

Farber said he finds it ironic that the "only time" Lastman did not consult the committee resulted in the Dec. 6 brawl between Slavic Macedonians and Greeks.

Farber sent *The CJN* a committee newsletter from last August, in which Lastman praised the group as continuing "to set trends and [responding] proactively to the needs of our community."

"I feel terrible about it," Rabbi Plaut said of the decision. "But I'm completely in the dark. I wasn't informed."

Norm Gardner, who represented Metro council on the committee, said the announcement was "a complete surprise" and that he's "rather disappointed" at how it was handled.

Committee member Mae Waese described the change as "very confusing. We were making great progress on a number of issues. It doesn't make any sense."

About the only person defending the changes last week was Albert Mercury, the committee's vice-chair, and widely touted to take over the new, streamlined committee.

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	DATE	TIME/PLACE	EVENT	ORGANIZATION
DEC.	WEDNESDAY 16	7:30 p.m., Free Times Cafe, 320 College St.	Jass Wednesday: Jane Enkin, Justin Lewis, Jordan Klapman	JEWISH ARTISTS SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY
	SUNDAY 20	12 noon, Thornhill Square	Chanukah Wonderland	CHABAD LUBAVITCH OF MARKHAM
	SATURDAY 26	8:30 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Concert - Diaspora Yeshiva Band	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SYNAGOGUE
			1993	
JANUARY	SUNDAY 3	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	Board Development	FEDERATION HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT.
	MONDAY 4	8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Dr. Joseph Garber: Psychological Effects of Diabetes	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOC., JEWISH CHAPTER
	SUNDAY 10	2 p.m., Beth Tzedec Synagogue	"Catching Arrows" translating Yiddish into English: Shirley Kumove	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, MAX & BEATRICE WOLFE LIBRARY
	WEDNESDAY 13	8 p.m., *Location to be announced*	"The Baycrest Project"	POMEGRANATE GUILD
	SUNDAY 17	5 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board of Directors Meeting & Officers Meeting	UNITED ISRAEL APPEAL OF CANADA INC.
	THURSDAY 21	8 p.m., Bayview Campus	Parents' Association Meeting	UNITED SYNAGOGUE DAY SCHOOLS PARENTS' ASSOC.
FEBRUARY	TUESDAY 2	7 p.m., Lipa Green Conference Ctr.	Business & Professional Division Winter Program	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	THURSDAY 4	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	Board Development	FEDERATION HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT.
	SATURDAY 6	8:30 p.m., Neptune Branch Auditorium	Gr. 8 student production of "Annie"	ASSOCIATED HEBREW DAY SCHOOLS, NEPTUNE BR.
	SUNDAY 7	9 a.m., Baycrest Terrace	Jewish Women's Festival	JEWISH WOMEN'S FEDERATION
	MONDAY 8	2 p.m., Neptune Branch Auditorium	Gr. 8 student production of "Annie"	ASSOCIATED HEBREW DAY SCHOOLS, NEPTUNE BR.
	WEDNESDAY 10	7:30 p.m., Neptune Branch Auditorium	Gr. 8 production of "Annie"	ASSOCIATED HEBREW DAY SCHOOLS, NEPTUNE BR.
	TUESDAY 16	8 p.m., Holy Blossom Temple	"Making Masks for Purim"	POMEGRANATE GUILD
	WEDNESDAY 17	7:30 p.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	Arts Person of the Year Honouring Oscar Peterson	JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTRE
	SATURDAY 20	8 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Concert	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SYNAGOGUE
	SUNDAY 21	8:45 a.m. & 8 p.m., Beth Tikvah Synagogue	Sisterhood Shabbat "Addictions in the Jewish Community: Recovery & Prevention"	BETH TIKVAH SISTERHOOD
	TUESDAY 23	7 p.m., Lipa Green Conference Ctr.	Business & Professional Division Winter Program	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
MARCH	MONDAY 1	7:45 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	"Between Moscow and Jerusalem," Prof. Gila Golan & Jonathan Livny	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY
	THURSDAY 4	8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Passover Food Theme, Rabbi Howard Sacknovitz	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOC., JEWISH CHAPTER
	SATURDAY 6	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	Board Development	FEDERATION HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT.
	SUNDAY 7	9 p.m., Garnet A. Williams Community Centre, Thornhill	Purim Masquerade Ball	HASHOMER HATZAIR and CAMP SHOMRIA
	MONDAY 8	*Time to be announced*, Baycrest Centre	Purim Celebration	BAYCREST CENTRE, BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
	WEDNESDAY 10	8 p.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	1993 Hadassim Event, Production "Esther"	TORONTO HADASSAH-WIZO
	SATURDAY 13	8 p.m., Holy Blossom Temple	"The Big Cover-up" Matzo, Afikomen & Pillow Covers	POMEGRANATE GUILD
	SUNDAY 14	8:30 p.m., Yeshivat Bnei Akiva Or Chaim	Dedication Dinner of the Israel and Golda Koschitzky Torah Centre	ULPANOT OROT DAY SCHOOL/YESHIVAT BNEI AKIVA OR CHAIM
	TUESDAY 23	11 a.m. & 4 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Uncle Moishe Concert	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SYNAGOGUE
	WEDNESDAY 24	6 p.m., Sheraton Centre	Tribute Dinner	CDN. SOCIETY FOR THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
	THURSDAY 25	8 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Annual Fashion Show	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	SATURDAY 27	*Time to be announced*, Baycrest Centre	Baycrest Spring Sale	BAYCREST CENTRE, BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
	SUNDAY 28	Inn on the Park Hotel	National Leadership Conference	UNITED ISRAEL APPEAL OF CANADA INC.
	TUESDAY 30	*Time to be announced*, Ottawa, Ont.	Parliamentary Dinner & Policy Conference (two days)	CANADA-ISRAEL COMMITTEE
APRIL	SATURDAY 3	9 p.m., *Location to be announced*	Dance and Silent Auction	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS, NEW LEADERSHIP DIV.
	WEDNESDAY 14	Led by Prof. Irving Abella	Commemorative Mission to Poland and Israel	CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS NATIONAL MISSION
	SUNDAY 18	2 p.m., Queen's Park - Convocation Hall	Yom Hashoah V'Hagvurah Commemoration Service	CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR YAD VASHEM
	MONDAY 19	6:30 p.m., Beth Tzedec Synagogue	7th Annual Neighbourhood Interfaith Dinnner	BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB
	TUESDAY 20	7:45 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Beate Klarsfeld	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY
	THURSDAY 22	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	Board Development	FEDERATION HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT.
	SUNDAY 25	9 p.m., *Location to be announced*	Yom Ha'atzmaut Concert	CANADIAN ZIONIST FEDERATION, CENTRAL REGION
	MONDAY 26	10 a.m., JCC North Branch	All Day Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration	CANADIAN ZIONIST FEDERATION, CENTRAL REGION
	TUESDAY 27	6:30 p.m., *Location to be announced*	Woman of Valour Dinner: Mrs. Ruhama Goldstein	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS, WOMEN'S DIVISION
	WEDNESDAY 28	7:30 p.m., Baycrest Centre	Public Health Forum	BAYCREST CENTRE, BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
		9 a.m., O.I.S.E., Toronto	5th Symposium on Women & Health	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
MAY	SATURDAY 1	8:30 p.m., Sheraton Parkway North Convention Centre	Las Vegas Night	NA'AMAT TORONTO
	SUNDAY 2	9 a.m., St. Lawrence Market	Annual Spring Bazaar	B'NAI BRITH WOMEN OF CANADA
	MONDAY 3	8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Thelma Feldman, M.A.	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOC., JEWISH CHAPTER
	TUESDAY 4	6 p.m., Torah Emeth Synagogue	Lottery	NER ISRAEL YESHIVA
	SUNDAY 9	9 a.m., Baycrest Centre	Baycrest Run & Walk	BAYCREST CENTRE
	TUESDAY 11	8 p.m., Beth Tikvah Synagogue	Sisterhood Spring Fashion Show	BETH TIKVAH SISTERHOOD
	WEDNESDAY 12	8 p.m., Holy Blossom Temple	"Cathedral Windows" Quilting Technique, Haya Nativ	POMEGRANATE GUILD
	THURSDAY 20	9 a.m., Montreal	7th National Convention	CANADIAN ZIONIST FEDERATION
	FRIDAY 21	Evening, New Theatre - downtown Toronto	Evening sponsoring Miss Saigon in honour of 75th Birthday celebration	BAYCREST CENTRE
	SUNDAY 23	8 p.m., Beth Tzedec Synagogue	Choral Concert	FEDERATION, JEWISH MUSIC COMMITTEE
	SUNDAY 30	7:45 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Elie Wiesel "God and Man: On Trial"	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY
		8 a.m., Earl Bales Park to JCC	Walk for Israel	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		11 a.m., Pioneer Village	Community Picnic	JEWISH FAMILY & CHILD SERVICE
JUNE	TUESDAY 1	6 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Installation Dinner	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	SUNDAY 6	8 p.m., Roy Thomson Hall	Fund Raising Event	ONTARIO MEN'S ORT
	TUESDAY 8	7:30 p.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	Jewish Federation Annual Meeting/93	FEDERATION OFFICERS
	WEDNESDAY 9	8 p.m. *Location to be announced*	"Show & Share"	POMEGRANATE GUILD
	SUNDAY 13	5:30 p.m., boarding at Queen's Quay Terminal	"Dream Weavers Cruise"	CDN. SOCIETY FOR THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
	WEDNESDAY 16	8 p.m., Eitz Chaim School, Patricia Branch	Boys' Graduation	EITZ CHAIM DAY SCHOOL
	THURSDAY 17	8 p.m., Eitz Chaim School, Viewmount Branch	Girls' Graduation	EITZ CHAIM DAY SCHOOL
SEPT.	SATURDAY 18	8:15 p.m., Arcadian Court	Monte Carlo and Silent Auction	ISRAEL CANCER RESEARCH FUND

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Organizations and People

Jewish newsmakers

At Beit Halochem movie night, Michal Kohn, president of Jerusalem chapter, presents a cheque to Shai Schechter, chairman of the board. Executive members Michael Sax and Dee-Dee Shiffman look on.

Zeigerman speaks out

TORONTO — While working with the Israeli population living in Toronto, the raison d'etre of the consulate is also to direct it towards Israel, said consul general Dror Zeigerman at a recent movie night sponsored by the Jerusalem chapter of Beit Halochem Canada.

The audience, which consisted of Canadians and many Israelis living in Toronto, viewed the Israeli film *Over the Ocean*. It deals with the difficulties an Israeli family encounters when deciding to move to Toronto.

In his remarks to the audience, Zeigerman stressed the importance of aliyah, saying that without it, Israel would not exist as a Jewish state. "In order to realize a significant aliyah, we must bring the Jewish people closer to Israel, and one of the ways is to recruit help for Israel."

Zeigerman said that he would prefer to see them in Israel. "It is very important that the second generation, which is born in Toronto will become closer and be persuaded to make aliyah to Israel."

He also encouraged the Israelis to participate in activities on behalf of Israel and congratulated the Jerusalem chapter, made up of Israelis living in Canada, on their important work for the Beit Halochem project.

All proceeds from the movie night were directed toward the Beit Halochem campaign to raise $2 million to equip the new Jerusalem Rehabilitation Centre now under construction.

For information on the project, call 488-7649.

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BB sponsors housing conference

TORONTO — "Honoring the past, building for the future" was the theme of the recent Senior Housing Conference, co-sponsored by B'nai B'rith International senior citizens housing committee and Elderly Housing Management Corporation, and hosted by B'nai Brith Canada and B'nai Brith Upper Canada Lodge.

This year represented the first time that the International Conference of the Senior Citizens Committee took place outside of the United States. The three-day conference brought together over 100 delegates from across the United States and Canada.

Gabriel Nachman, national president of B'nai Brith Canada, welcomed the delegates. He stated that, "It once again demonstrated that B'nai Brith was first and foremost in serving the needs of the Jewish community. As our Jewish population is aging, B'nai Brith has found a vehicle to best provide for those in their golden age. The quality of life is enhanced in the B'nai Brith buildings."

Margaret Harrington, parliamentary assistant to the Ontario minister of housing, was the keynote speaker and shared with the participants the Canadian experience and the role the government has played in affordable housing. She cited this area as a major concern of the N.D.P. government.

Since the beginning of the senior housing committee in 1960, B'nai B'rith has been responsible for creating and developing 29 senior housing programs in 25 communities serving over 5,000 people as residents. In addition to Toronto and Vancouver, B'nai Brith senior housing is active in Australia, England, Israel, New Zealand and the United States.

David Lerner, senior citizens housing co-chair and chair of the host conference committee, commented that, "the meeting in Toronto reflects the success and importance of B'nai Brith Canada senior citizens housing programs that have developed over the years. With two major facilities on Bathurst Street, it is evident we are providing a much needed service to the community. Our lodges participate in programs of a recreational nature with the residents.

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IYPC moves to JCC

TORONTO — The Israel Youth Program Centre has relocated to the North branch of the Jewish Community Centre from its former location in the Canadian Zionist Federation offices on Bathurst Street. Operating under the Youth and Hechalutz Department, its mandate is to provide Israel-oriented programming for youth, including year-round programming and summer programs in Israel for high school and university age students.

The centre will maintain two offices in the JCC. A walk-in area is located on the main floor opposite the general locker rooms. The centre's main offices are located on the upper level.

Mark Rubinstein, IYPC co-ordinator, stresses that the public is invited to drop in during the week. The centre will operate five days a week. The walk-in centre will also be open on Sundays.

For more information, call Rubinstein at 398-6931.

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Sephardic exhibit on display

VANCOUVER — There's a large Sephardi population in Vancouver, which has developed over the past 50 years, and memories and mementos of those families are on exhibit here at the Temple Shalom Gallery.

The exhibition, called Jewish Visions, Images of Sephardic Life and Culture, was curated by the Jewish Festival of Arts and will run through Jan. 10.

The exhibition reflects the life of Canadian Jews whose families once lived in such diverse places as Morocco, Egypt, Turkey, Iraq, India, Syria, Holland, the West Indies and various parts of South America, as well as Mexico.

On display are family and synagogue treasures, household items, family photographs, striking fabric scarves and hangings and colorful clothing. Silver Sabbath cups are decorated with Chinese patterns, a Japanese sugar bowl is identified as the last piece in a set designated for Passover, a pure white Moroccan jalaba was worn on the Sabbath, and a Sabbath spice box, in the shape of a stork, recalls the Dutch home of the owner.

Another Jewish Festival of the Arts feature held recently and given a great deal of publicity in the local press was an "Artrageous" evening, at which works of art were offered for sale by well-known Vancouver personalities.

The Jewish Festival of the Arts, a beneficiary of the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver, is devoted to promoting and developing Jewish arts and culture in Vancouver.

— Maurice Lucow

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New JNF shaliach at Oneg Shabbat

PARKSVILLE, B.C. — Gideon Shavit, the newly-appointed shaliach for the Jewish National Fund, was a guest speaker at the first Oneg Shabbat of the season of the Central Vancouver Island Jewish community.

Shavit updated the audience with news about Israel and outlined what the JNF is doing in helping settle new immigrants. The meeting was held at the home of Dr. Phil Lipsey and his wife Arlene Ackerman.

It was announced there that the Sunday school launched last year is ready to gear up for the new season. Classes will be held every second week at the Seventh Day Adventist School.

The annual Chanukah party is scheduled for Dec. 27 in the afternoon at St. Edmunds Community Hall.

Ray Walker, owner of J.R. Jiffy Photo Lab at the Wembly Mall, just north of Parksville, has advised the community that he has stocked up with Chanukah cards and decorations — a first for this area.— Maurice Lucow

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In the Spirit of Joshua: A unique leadership mission

In the footsteps of last year's successful Community Leadership Mission, the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto is sponsoring In the Spirit of Joshua, a unique Israel experience for Jewish communal leaders, scheduled for March 15-24, 1993. Chaired by the Federation's president, Jack Chisvin, this mission opportunity is designed for the communal decision makers, including presidents, officers and board members of Federation agencies, congregations and schools. This mission will also be an intensive experience for those interested in leadership or in seeing the Jewish State from this perspective.

"The biblical Joshua saw the promise of The Land and was the first to bring the message back to his community," says Chisvin. "Like Joshua, mission participants will learn, firsthand, about the unique challenges facing Israel -- peace talks, regional cooperation and strategic withdrawals. They will witness the continuing challenges presented by the unending immigration of Jews from the former Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, Germany and elsewhere."

This mission will enable community leadership to sit together at "Joshua's Tent," he continues, and share a collective vision while experiencing the past, present and future of Israel. And, like Joshua, they will face the challenge of sitting with the leadership network to shape and strengthen the fabric of our community.

"Whether you are an Israel mission veteran or a first-timer, In the Spirit of Joshua will have something to offer -- and community leadership will have something to offer this mission," says Chisvin, who stresses that seating is limited. He urges those interested to register as soon as possible.

A tentative itinerary includes two days in the North and five nights at Jerusalem's Laromme Hotel. Visits with Russian and Ethiopian olim are planned, as are trips to Project Renewal communities.

"We will be engaging in dialogue with key Israeli policy makers from a wide cross-section of society, representing citizens of diverse ideological and cultural backgrounds," explains Sheila Engel, chairman of the Federation's Community Planning and Allocations committee. Engel, who participated in last year's leadership mission, has signed up for In the Spirit of Joshua.

Options will include: extensions in Israel; business class travel; and stopovers in Europe. The cost is approximately $2,400 per person with single supplement available.

For further information, contact Shelly Rotman at 635-2883, ext. 137.

Above: JFED president Jack Chisvin,and Sheila Engel, CP&A chair, exchanged views with Israeli Prime Minister Yizhak Rabin during last year's Community Leadership Mission. Below: Greeting Russian olim at Ben-Gurion airport.

Local leaders will get to heart of Jewish issues on 'Joshua'

THE COMMUNITY leadership Mission, under the auspices of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, is a one of a kind opportunity.

The philosophy of this mission ensures that you engage the people of Israel, their challenges and our challenges in the most hands-on manner possible.

The Federation is recognized in Israel as the central Jewish Community address in Toronto. Because of this, and because the Federation's United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus campaign has been so successful, Israelis open doors for Federation mission participants that are not accessible to others.

New olim key to Israel's future

Our mission will devote significant energy to educating our participants about this issue, from every angle. To do so means meeting with immigrants at their job sites; in their homes (even if they live in trailers) and in their absorption centers.

Perhaps the most important moment is when we actually meet an El Al plane, arriving with its "human cargo" of new Israelis.

The sight of Jewish refugees kissing the earth when they arrive in Israel doesn't just happen in the movies -- it will happen in front of our eyes, in our arms.

Along with the support we provide through our regular campaign and Operation Exodus, the Federation works in direct partnership with specific Israeli communities through Project Renewal.

Project Renewal encounters

Working with local community councils, Toronto has played a significant role in improving the quality of life in communities like Beit Dagan, Kfar Gvirol and the Eilat region.

In the Spirit of Joshua will visit some of these places, to meet with the local representatives, to tour facilities provided by our community and to learn, firsthand, how the work of our Federation has directly impacted on the lives of so many Israelis in such a positive way.

Strategic issues to be explored

Historic events are taking place every day that affect Israel's borders and its security. Peace talks with Syria and the Palestinians suggest alterations to the current border.

The only way to fully appreciate the meaning of these potential changes is by standing on the ground, viewing the areas to be affected and listening to the positions on all sides of the explosive issue.

Our mission will take us to the Good Fence at the Lebanese border, to the town of Metulla, to meet the Israelis who live their lives in range of the Hezbollah.

Visits will include the Golan, not just the western slope, but the Syrian border as well. The issues around the administered territories will be explored in depth.

Networking with Toronto olim

Our mission will include an opportunity to meet with Toronto olim to examine how we can build stronger, more effective bridges between Toronto and Israel through their presence.

One of the best ways to learn about the Jewish community infrastructure in Toronto is to join the Federation Leadership Mission to Israel.

Decision-making volunteers from many agencies, organizations, schools and congregations will participate in this mission. Along with the informal opportunities to network, the program will include time to look at how the local community is organized, the role of the Federation and how, as volunteers, we can cooperate efficiently to strengthen our community.

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Organizations and People

Jewish groups react to long-term care changes

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Jewish organizations which cater to the needs of the elderly had opposing reactions last week to recent announcements made by Ontario Health Minister Frances Lankin on the overhaul of long-term care for the elderly.

The Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care is worried that the government's plan to rework long-term care will standardize services across the province and dilute Baycrest's world-famous quality of care.

Recently, Lankin introduced changes to the government's two-year-old long-term care plan — changes she said will lead to "major improvements" in services to residents of nursing homes and homes for the aged.

The new legislation will lead to a "fairer" funding scheme for nursing homes and residences for the aged "based on the nursing and personal care needs of their residents," Lankin stated.

The new plan will also improve accountability to residents, provide a consistent resident payment policy, simplify access to long-term care facilities and allow for direct payments to disabled adults able to care for themselves, she added.

The new policy "could seriously affect" services at Baycrest, said Moshe Greengarten, vice-president of public and community affairs.

Baycrest fears that cash-strapped Queen's Park is calculating costs based on affordability and not needs, Greengarten said.

Greengarten said Baycrest was told recently that under the new plan, the per diem rate for residents of nursing homes will be set at $90 a day, which is lower than the current rate.

In fact, even at the current rate, Baycrest still has to spend an additional $25 per patient per day to cover costs.

Greengarten pointed out that last June, a joint committee of government and long-term care providers recommended a per diem rate of $132 to meet "average" care requirements in nursing homes and homes for the aged.

The new policy is scheduled to come into force next spring.

Baycrest fears that the NDP government is taking money from nursing homes and facilities for the elderly, and putting it instead into home-care.

Greengarten pointed to another recent announcement from Lankin, in which she said Ontario will boost funding for household care for seniors and to help the terminally ill remain in their homes.

Lankin promised to spend an extra $133 million to establish home-care services for the frail elderly and disabled in 17 areas of the province that do not currently have them.

As well, Lankin announced an extra $4.8 million for palliative care. The money will be used to train volunteers to work with the terminally ill in their homes.

Michael Scheinert, executive director of Senior Care, said the announcement is "very positive and encouraging," and will mean that the Jewish elderly in several parts of the province will be eligible to receive up to 60 hours a month of home care services, which include help with shopping, personal grooming, meal preparation and household chores.

But Greengarten said roughly 80 percent of Baycrest's residents suffer from varying degrees of Alzheimer's disease, meaning they would probably not be able to be cared for in the home.

UTS exams planned

The University of Toronto Schools entrance examinations for the 1993-94 academic year are to be held on Saturday, February 20, 1993, it was announced recently.

With a letter from a rabbi, Jewish students may write the exams on an alternative date, *The CJN* learned. The exams have always been on a Saturday, but there has always been an alternative date, a school representative said.

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TORONTO —

The League for Human Rights of B'nai Brith Canada urged a committee of Metro Parks and Recreation to open up its property to allow for the celebration of many religious festivals.

In a deputation to the committee, Keren Mock, national director of the League, urged members to keep in mind the multicultural aspect of Canadian society. Mock made these statements in reaction to a report by the Parks and Recreation commissioner that recommends eliminating all religious symbols from the lawn before Old City Hall.

"Toronto has much to be proud of. It was the first city to declare the Year of Racial Harmony. Many aspects of city life reflect this respect for people of many backgrounds, from restaurants to places of worship. It is time for attitudes in City Hall to reflect our diversity," she said.

Adding that the League's position was one of all or nothing, Mock said that we can no longer chose to celebrate some holidays and not others in an official capacity.

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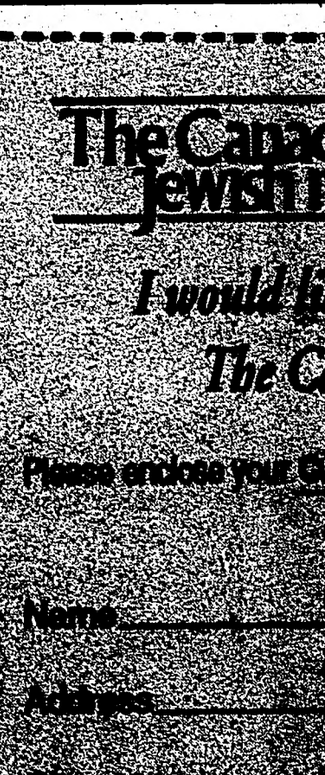
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Hadassah-WIZO lauded by Attewell

By MIRIAM SOBEL

OTTAWA —

Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has left an "indelible mark on Canadian and Israeli way of life," Bill Attewell, MP for Markham-Whitchurch-Stouffville, told the House of Commons last month, when he rose to honor the group at the beginning of their 75th anniversary year.

About 120 Hadassah-WIZO members from across Canada were in the gallery to hear the presentation in the House. They had been in Ottawa for several days celebrating the launch of the anniversary year.

"[Hadassah-WIZO women] do an outstanding job funding many services including schools and hospitals in Israel. I applaud the work these women have accomplished over the past 75 years," Attewell said.

Sheila Finestone, MP for Mount Royal in Montreal, and a long-time Hadassah member, called the organization "an outstanding training ground in community leadership skills.

"...They have championed an impressive number of causes vital to the well-being of Canadians as well as to the Jewish and Arab women and children in Israel," she said.

Later in the afternoon, John Fraser, Speaker of the House, welcomed the delegates at a reception.

There, Hadassah-WIZO president Esther Matlow thanked Fraser by giving him a copy of a Bar Kochba coin. The coins were originally issued by Simon bar Kochba 1,850 years ago when the Jews were battling the Roman Empire.

"It was a battle for freedoms that we as Canadians are so fortunate to enjoy, and for values that all Canadians hold dear," Matlow explained when she presented Fraser with the coin.

Later in the evening, Israeli ambassador to Canada, Itzhak Shelef, hosted a reception for the Hadassah-WIZO delegates.

At a recent reception for Hadassh-WIZO in Ottawa are (from left) Sophie Kettner, honorary national vice-president, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO; General John de Chastelain, chief of the Canadian defence staff, and Esther Matlow, national president.

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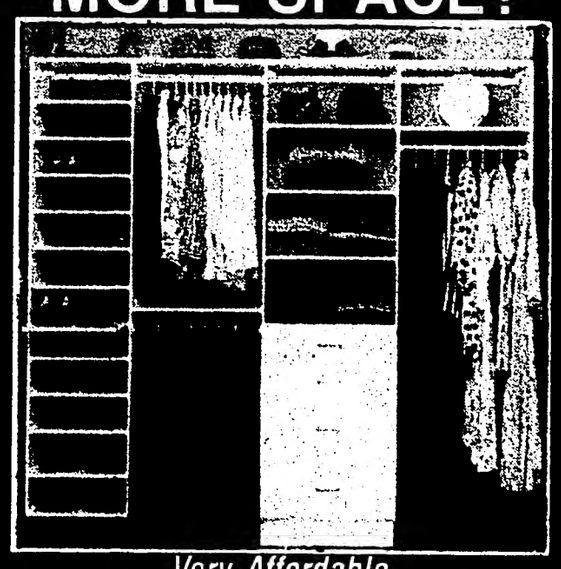
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Organizations and People

CJA seeks more funds

By MAURICE LUCOW

VANCOUVER —

The community must accelerate its levels of giving to the 1992 Federation/Combined Jewish Appeal campaign "if we are going to be able to meet our community's and Israel's needs," says Rosalind Karby, acting director of the campaign, which is due to wind up in mid-December.

The budgets of 15 member agencies "are strapped to the limit," said Karby, and the current economic climate affects not only their allocation from the federation but also their supplementary source of funding.

She said "Jewish history is fraught with opportunities to save Jewish lives — this is one such moment." The Agency via Joint Distribution Committee has been directly involved in the rescue of Jews, Muslims and Croats from war-torn Yugoslavia "in an operation that could only have been mounted by an organization that has world Jewry as its mainstay," she added. Families from former Yugoslavia are already in Vancouver.

The rescue is being funded by Federation/CJA campaigns throughout the Diaspora, Karby pointed out.

Karby said the campaign must raise a very minimum of $4.1 million, although a $5 million target has been set.

As of Dec. 1, more than 1,000 cards were still outstanding and 200 campaign workers are trying to clean them up, the campaign report stated. A special effort was made this year to train canvassers; this included those approaching Major Givers of $18,000 and up, as well as canvassers who worked on teens "whose sights were set on lesser commitments."

The campaign leadership's goal was "to ensure that each canvasser was well prepared for the job," said Women's Division chair Phyllis Moscovich.

To date, on a card-for-card basis, the Women's Division is up 5 percent, and the general campaign is up 1 percent. General campaign chair Gary Romalis noted, however, that "the slight increase over last year doesn't tell the real story. There have been "substantial increases" in the professional divisions and the Teen Super Sunday was a huge success.

Romalis had praise also for the efforts of the newly created Russian division which raised a considerable amount from donors, many of whom were new arrivals in Vancouver.

"Our statistics do not reveal the individual stories of outstanding donations — those canvassed and those unsolicited," Romalis said.

The annual general meeting of the federation was to have been held in December but it has been postponed to January, Karby told *The CJN*.

Religious groups contrast the symbolic use of light

By RUTH SCHWEITZER

TORONTO —

The power and presence of light as a symbol used by different religions during this holiday season was contrasted during a recent panel discussion, sponsored by B'nai Brith League for Human Rights' Women in Interfaith Dialogue.

Karen Mock, national director of B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights, opened the discussion, saying that B'nai Brith has been receiving calls this season indicating "people were feeling marginalized, even in the most inclusive workplaces and schools." She urged the audience of about a hundred, many of them educators, to validate everyone in an all-inclusive way."

Together with a representative from the Jewish community, the other panelists from the native, Christian, Chinese, Hindu and Muslim communities participated in a candle-lighting to begin the evening's panel discussion entitled The Power of Light, a discussion of symbols and celebrations of the holiday season.

Of the panelists, two of them, a Swedish Lutheran and a Roman Catholic, celebrate Christmas.

Itia Golan, one of the participants in this past summer's Holocaust and Hope program for teachers, told her children what Christmas is all about. "They think it is very nice," she said.

Golan observes Chanukah, the Jewish Festival of Lights, which commemorates the victory of Judah the Maccabee and the miracle of the burning oil. "We put light in windows to remind people to see and to teach the children," she explained.

In part, she says, Chanukah celebrates the miracle of the Jewish people. "I can tell you firsthand the fact that I'm here is a miracle. My grandparents were in Auschwitz," Golan said. "We have to remember against all odds we have to fight and have to continue on."

Jackie Jacko-Alton, an Ojibway Cree whose name is also Standing Brown Buffalo Woman, explained that at their gatherings natives give highly prized presents, but only to those who deserve them. If she had an eagle feather, the greatest gift for a native, she would give it to someone who had earned it.

"Traditional people do not celebrate Christmas," she said. "In each of the four seasons we have gatherings."

Jacko-Alton said she attended a convent school, where native religion and languages were banned. "I am a product of assimilation. I do not appreciate assimilation," she said. "I am not multicultural."

When one of the audience members asked her whether Santa Claus was included in the aboriginal winter solstice celebration as a concession to the children, she explained that it will take a long time to teach the children native history, so "we don't have Santa Claus." As for Christmas trees, she said, "Traditionally we don't have a Christmas tree. A tree is supposed to do what it does."

A Hindu and a teacher of classical Indian music, Vijaya Venkatacharya, participates in Christmas in her own way. "I make Indian sweets, I put up a Christmas tree, I buy small gifts. I really enjoy Christmas," she said.

The Hindu Festival of Lights, celebrated all over India in October, includes lamp-led processions into darkened homes, she explained, which symbolizes the bringing of the light to the darkness.

Shaheen Sayed, a Muslim drug and alcohol counsellor, said when she was growing up her family gave presents to their Christian and Hindi friends for their respective religious holidays. Her parents explained to her they were gifts from God to their friends.

"I'm buying gifts at all times of the year," she said, adding that parents ought to be encouraged to get involved with their children's friends.

Although there is no festival of lights in Islam, during Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic year when fasting is practiced daily from dawn to sunset, some people who are close to death celebrate by lighting candles and setting off fireworks in the hopes they will go to heaven, Sayed said.

The Chinese community ends its New Year celebrations in mid-February with the Festival of Lanterns, said Kwok-Keung Fung, who works at the Woodgreen Community Centre helping recently immigrated engineers integrate into the Canadian job market. Children go out with lanterns to scare away evil spirits, he said.

As a special event at the panel discussion, two girls dressed in white, one of them wearing a headdress on which burned candles, walked through the darkened lecture hall, in a mock Swedish Saint Lucia pageant.

The girls' mother, Torgun Frisk, who is active with the Swedish Women's Association, explained that the pageant, held on December 12 and 13, commemorates the saint who put candles in her hair so she could see her way when she brought food to persecuted Christians who hid in the Roman catacombs.

Roman Catholic teacher Elsie Hodson said "God's presence appears in light and so it becomes a paramount symbol for us." She added that the New Testament is shot through with light from beginning to end.

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Organizations and People

Negev Dinner honors popular JNF leaders

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

The 1992 Jewish National Fund's Negev Dinner, held recently at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, was a freiliche simcha-like event filled with appreciation of family and a tribute to volunteerism. It was a fun evening and popular interviewer/commentator Larry King added some additional humor.

Breaking with the tradition of bestowing honor on community leaders who have distinguished themselves in areas not necessarily connected to the JNF, this year's honorees, Nathan O. Hurwich, Albert Mandel and Lewis J. E. Moses, have had a long and glorious volunteer attachment to JNF for a combined total of 120 years.

An Israel atmosphere permeated the event. The foyer was a replica of the entrance to Ben Gurion airport with security equipment and sensors, guards, amplified announcements, a newsstand, baggage and all the trappings. The Grand Ballroom followed the Israel theme with backdrops of palm trees, camels and centrepieces of sand and desert flowers. Israeli music and a menu of Israeli recipes including smoked trout Galilee, medallion of beef Beersheba and Jerusalem chocolates of gold, set the tone for the evening.

More than 200 volunteers worked on the 44th annual Negev Dinner. "My experiences in co-sharing this event with Alan Posluns," said Tom Ungar, "have only re-enforced the underlying concept of the 1992 dinner — the spirit of volunteerism."

Posluns, president of JNF Canada, spoke of the challenges ahead for JNF including ongoing afforestation, road building in rural areas, constructing dams and reservoirs, land infrastructure development for new immigrant housing, research involving water and soil conservation, protecting the environment and helping to create new employment opportunities.

Patricia Alpert, president of JNF of Toronto, expressed thanks to the co-chairs, their committee members, executive director Ben Prossin and his staff and Col. Israel Ben-Haim, the JNF shaliach.

We are proud to launch the new Toronto Community Forest at this Negev Dinner," said Alpert. "I hope that all of you will have the opportunity to visit this marvellous patch of green in the northern Negev, the only forest named in honor of a Canadian city."

In making the presentations to the three honorees, Donald Carr, a former dinner honoree, said, "When these doors close after tonight's dinner, the three honorees, will, figuratively, start gearing up for the next year's effort and we all know that they will continue to be in the forefront of subsequent campaigns."

Carr said that Hurwich has long been regarded as "Mr. Canvasser" for a multitude of organizations "and hundreds of us get his annual calls for such causes as UJA and State of Israel Bonds." Involved in more than 30 organizations and institutions, the senior statesman of fundraising and his wife Roey, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Hurwich spoke of his philosophy gleaned from his learned grandfather: "Do not separate yourself from the community." In an historic view of the Keren Kayemeth over the past 90 years, Hurwich concluded his warm remarks with his acknowledgement of his wife's support. "She has always chosen to comply and not to complain about my nightly meetings and instant preoccupation with community needs."

In presenting Mandel's award, Carr highlighted the multitude of roles that the honoree served in the community "which did not stop at the border of the Jewish community."

In his response, Mandel referred back to his childhood when he learned acts of charity from his mother. He expressed his gratitude to his family and to his wife Hilda "for putting up with the mishugasen" which enabled him to devote himself to many common endeavors.

In feting Moses, Carr noted his vast number of community appointments in both the Jewish and general communities. Moses, a supporter of Herut, followed the theme of family. He told of his grandfather "who kept an open door for all who needed food and shelter" and set him on his path of working for "every humane cause irrespective of race or religion," which he has done for the past 50 years.

To his wife Ethel, their children and grandchildren he expressed gratitude and his joy that his children are following the family's tradition of working for community causes.

In his comedy routine, King told anecdote after anecdote about "What it's like to be a speaker." From the Mafia to Hadassah, he kept the audience amused with his stereotype descriptions. It was announced that his agent had established the Larry King Forest in Israel to honor his client.

Clothing container planned for Old City of Tzfat

TORONTO —

A 20-foot container of clothing and household linens is being sent to the people in Tzfat as a Chanukah gift from the Jews of Toronto.

The request was made by Ester Alfasi of the Old City of Tzfat to Maria Golab, a Torontonian who attended yeshiva there, expressing the serious needs of the families living there.

Golab has especially asked for warm teenage clothing for both young men and women, pregnancy dresses and dresses for new brides. Coats and sturdy shoes are also needed. A container of clean, good-quality, gently used clothing will be sent as soon as possible to help these needy families face another cold winter.

Golab said she is willing to pay the necessary port duty at her end and has obtained the services of a broker in Israel to ensure the container of clothes arrives at the proper destination. Golab has also recieved assistance from the Bais Din and has obtained a suitable tax number

Tzfat is 1,000 feet higher than Jerusalem, and few homes have central heating. It ususally snows in winter in Tzfat and on all the surrounding hills of the Galil. Torontonians are being asked to help fulfill a great mitzvah.

Among the families who will be helped include several hundred adult Torah students, teachers and their families who call Tzfat 'home'. Over the last couple of years they have welcomed over 4,000 Russian olim into their community, and some 3,000 Ethiopians, sharing their Shabbat table with as many as 10 guests every single week, making a room available in their homes for the newcomers to live, and sharing their clothing.

Drop-off clothing and linens at 15 Graymer Ave. (Bathurst-Wilson area). A $10 or $20 contribution to offset the cost of shipping and port duty would also be appreciated. Tax deductible receipts are available for $10 and over.

Cheques should be made payable to Friends of Tzfat Fund and may be dropped off together with clothing. Mailing address is 207-3690 Bathurst St., Toronto, Ont. M6A 2E7.

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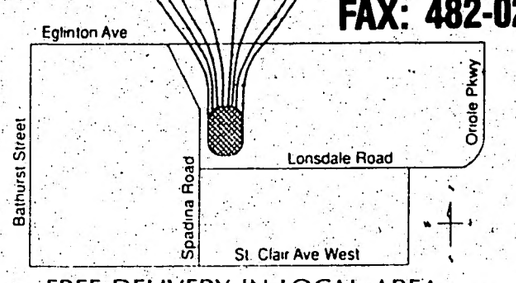

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By Miriam Chinsky

DEADLINE REMINDER

Due to a revised holiday schedule (CJN office is closed Dec. 24, 25 and 28) and since there are no issues on Dec. 31 or Jan. 14 - Dec. 17 is deadline for Jan. 7 and items up to Jan. 21.

Thursday, Dec. 17

DEPRESSION SUPPORT

Depression Support and Mutual Aid invites you to a discussion on Dealing With Depression in December - conversation, information, light refreshments - 7 p.m. Yonge-Eglinton area. Reservations, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday to Friday, 783-6969.

Friday, Dec. 18

HAPPY CHANUKAH HOUR

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will appear in a Happy Chanukah hour 2-3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18 at Lincoln Place, 429 Walmer Rd. Program features Chanukah, Hebrew and Jewish music.

Saturday,Dec. 19

MENORAH LIGHTING AT KEW GARDENS

Come out to enjoy the lighting of the menorah in Kew Gardens (Queen St. E.) and celebrate the start of Chanukah, 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19. Following the lighting, there will be a free latke supper at the Beach Hebrew Institute, 109 Kenilworth Ave. To inquire further, call 694-7942.

MELAVE MALKA & CHANUKAH PARTY

Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill, 613 Clark Ave. W. presents a melava malka and Chanukah party, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, with live music, refreshments and guest performers. A special Chanukah d'var Torah entitled Liars, Latkes and Lights, will be made by **Rabbi Eliyahu Fuchs** Admission is $5.

CHANUKAH DINNER DANCE

B'nai Brith Women, Soleil chapter, holds a Chanukah dinner dance, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19 with a sitdown dinner, entertainment by **Effi Zohar** and his band, door prizes, cash bar. Proceeds go to the B'nai Brith Children's Home in Israel and community services in Canada. For reservations call **Marlene,** 764-8802 (9 a.m.-6 p.m.) or 886-4347 (after 6).

Sunday, Dec. 20

CHANUKAH WONDERLAND

On Sunday, Dec. 20, from 12 noon - 4:30 p.m. J.E.W.E.L., Chabad Lubavitch of Markham Sisterhood and Thornhill Square Shopping Centre, Bayview and John, sponsor a Chanukah celebration"like never before," with a wide range of activities for children and adults - 30 boutiques, game booths, magical and music shows, lots of food, face painting, arts and crafts, clowns, carnival rides, prizes and more. The program will conclude with a candle lighting ceremony at 4:30 outside Thornhill Community Centre (Bayview and John). Free admission.

FAMILY CHANUKAH PARTY

Bring the entire family to Naamat's (Club Yamit) Chanukah party for a buffet lunch, clown, face painting, loot bags, pinata and more, 12:30-3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 in Earl Bales Community Centre general meeting room. Admission is $15 per family, $5 each extra adult. All proceeds to charity.

KESHET SHALOM CHANUKAH PARTY

Keshet Shalom, a congregation dedicated to meeting the needs of Toronto's lesbian and gay Jewish community, looks forward to a Chanukah party with candle lighting, music, food and entertainment, 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 in the main floor Wallin Lounge of the Jewish Community Centre, Bloor Y branch. Bring your own chanukiah and candles. Admission, $5 congregation members, $7, non-members.

PNAI GATHERING

PNAI (Parents of North American Israelis) will meet 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 in Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, when **Paul Marcus,** national director, B'nai Brith Institute for International Affairs, will explore, 50th Anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising: Lessons for our Time. The second Chanukah candle will be lighted and special refreshments served. Torontonians with children in Israel are invited.

SHAAREI-BETH EL, OAKVILLE

Mark 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 on your calendar to remember Shaarei Beth El Congregation's family Chanukah dinner with entertainer **Binky the Clown.** Call 849-6000.

CHANUKAH AT ANSHEI MINSK

All the latkes you can eat and dancing to the music of **Ron Wiseman,** king of Jewish reggae, at the Anshei Minsk Chanukah Party, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 in the shul, 10 St. Andrews St. (Kensington Market)

CHANUKAH IN NORTH YORK

Join in the lighting of the giant menorah (2nd candle) 3 p.m. Sunday Dec. 20, in front of North York City Hall, 5100 Yonge St., to be followed by an indoor party featuring live, music, dancing, special guests. Free admission. Refreshments for sale (proceeds for charity).

Monday, Dec. 21

CHABAD LUBAVITCH

At Chabad Lubavitch Community Centre, 770 Chabad Gate, Thornhill, **Rabbi Yosef Gansburg's** class, Unearthing the World of the Bible, continues with Listen to the Candles, 7:45-8:35 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21. **Rabbi Mendel Bernstein** continues his Soul Trek course with The Inner Light of Chanukah, 8:50-9:40 p.m. For information, call 731-7000.

FAMILIES OF GAYS AND LESBIANS

The Jewish Support Group for Families of Gays and Lesbians will meet 7:30 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, Monday, Dec. 21. Call in confidence to **Ruth,** 763-9111.

Tuesday, Dec. 22

T'NACH STUDY GROUP

The T'nach Study Group will focus on the Book of Kings I; Chapter X, with **Harold Dessen,** at 8:15 Tuesday, Dec. 22, in Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

CHILDREN'S EXTRAVAGANZA

Singer/comedian **Chaim Fogelman,** will highlight the Children's Chanukah Extravaganza 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22 at the Chabad Lubavitch Community Centre, 770 Chabad Gate. Tickets $3.50 per child, advance, $4.50 at the door, are available at the centre, telephone 731-7000. For boys and girls ages 3-12.

HERITAGE SINGERS

The New Fraternal Jewish Organization, jointly with the Overbrook Cultural Club, welcomes everyone to Chanukah entertainment with the Heritage Singers, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22 at the new address, 12 Heaton St. (Lodzer Centre). Refreshments. No admission charge.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of North Bathurst presents There's a New Baby in Your Life, the second in a series of four monthly meetings, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22 at 20 Loma Vista, Thornhill. Meetings are open to pregnant or nursing mothers interested in information, help and support for breastfeeding. Babies are welcome. For further information, call **Joyce,** 881-8779, **Robin,** 886-8364 or **Karen,** 512-7974 or **Risa,** 738-8870.

CHANUKAH LUNCHEON

Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood plans a Chanukah luncheon with soloist **Jenny Prestman** accompanied by **Michael Khinkis,** 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22. For reservations, contact **Ruth,** 731-6660.

SURVIVING

Shown during Holocaust Awareness Week at Newtonbrook Secondary School are (from left) keynote speaker Paul Marcus, national director, B'nai Brith Institute for Interational Affairs, Elsa Chandler, chair, North York Board of Education and a survivor, Karen Forbes, principal of Newtonbrook.

BLOOD DONOR CLIIC

A Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic will be held 12-5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 22 at Mt. Sinai Hospital.

Wednesday, Dec. 23

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Information is All Relative: Methods of Interviewing Family Members, will be explained by Jewish Genealogical Society member **Lindon Rees** at the next meeting of the group, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23 at the Barbara Frum Library, 3rd floor auditorium, 20 Covington Rd. just north of Lawrence Plaza. Admission is free. For additional information, call **Selma,** 223-2240.

AND WHAT ELSE IS NEW...

CHANUKAH MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA

Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Youth presents a Chanukah Musical Extravaganza with the Original Diaspora Yeshiva Band (the reunion), featuring comedy by **Marc Weiner,** 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26, main ballroom 613 Clark Ave. W., Thornhill. Cost, sponsors $250, patrons, $100, general admission, $25, $20, $15. Tickets available at the synagogue, 886-3810, or Aleph Bet Judaica, Israel's north and south, Negev. For more details, call 886-3810.

KOLEL MINI COURSE

Kolel, a Centre for Liberal Jewish Learning, offers its annual one week mini course, Sunday, Jan. 17-Thursday, Jan. 21. The theme is, Relationships and Sexuality - A Dialogue with Tradition. Classes are taught by rabbis at various Toronto locations. Topics include adoption, the human body, abortion and others. The opening program is led by **Rabbi Julie R. Spitzer,** author of *When Love Isn't Enough: Spousal Abuse in Rabbinic and Contemporary Judaism,* who will consider, Are Jewish Families Really Different? From Tanach to Responsa: The Texts Speak. For a complete schedule, call 660-3154.

YIDDISH SPEAKING VOLUNTEERS

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living seeks Yiddish speaking volunteers to be "friendly visitors." Activities include regular visits to a senior in his/her home. Please call the Volunteer Centre, North York, 481-6194.

JEWISH RUSSIAN LOTTERY

A lottery draw and reception, sponsored by the Jewish Russian Community Center of Toronto, is set for 8 p.m. Saturday, March 27 at B'nai Torah Synagogue. Tickets are $180 per couple. First prize is $10,000. 2nd prize, $3600, 3rd prize, $1800. Proceeds are for JRC educational programs. This centre provides comprehensive services to the 25,000 strong Russian Jewish community. For more information, call **Rabbi Saltzman** or **Michael Shapiro,** 665-9600.

JF & CS WORKSHOPS

Jewish Family and Child Service offers the following workshops: Living With Teens; Parenting the Young Child; The Single Parent Challenge; Adult Children Losing Parents. For

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PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION

Israel Appel, chair of three merged Labour Zionist branches - Anielewitch, Zerubavel and Federman - receives a plaque in appreciation on his 85th birthday. From left, Josef Crystal, national vice-chair of the Labour Zionist Alliance; Appel, chair of the merged branches; Harry Simon, Ontario vice-chair Israel Histadrut Campaign; Pauline Krystal, chair Eilat Women's Club, Na'Amat.

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TEL-AIDE JEWISH DISTRESS LINE

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TEMPLE ISRAEL. LONDON

You are invited to a dinner dance honoring **Rabbi Joel and Ailene Wittstein,** 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 16 at the Lamplighter Inn, Wellington Rd., London. Come out and celebrate their first five years with Temple Israel. Cost, benefactor $1,000, patron $500, sponsor $250, friend $100, donor $50. Proceeds to the temple building fund.

HOLY BLOSSOM AIDS SUPPORT

The AIDS committee at Holy Blossom Temple is reaching out to anyone in the Jewish community with a loved one who is HIV positive or has AIDS. It is starting a support group for lovers, friends and all relatives of HIV positive people. Come and receive support from those who have walked in your shoes.

Call in confidence, **Cindy Hershon-Zackon,** 789-3291.

YOUNG JUDEA KINUS

Following a successful 75th anniversary celebration, the adult committee of Canadian Young Judea has decided to hold a national kinus, Oct. 15-17 at Camp Shalom, Gravenhurst, Ont. At that time, the constitution plus educational goals will be evaluated, and election of a mazkir klali and officers are to be held.

TEMPLE EMANU-EL WELCOMES YOU

The community is welcome to join Temple Emanu-El, 120 Old Colony Rd, at daily minyans: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m., Sundays and holidays, 8:30 a.m. Friday evening services, 8:30 p.m. Saturday morning services, 10:30 a.m. As well, parents and children are welcome to join in family Shabbat services, held the last Friday of every month at 7:30 p.m. For further information, call the temple office, 449-3880.

CALENDARS - LEUKEMIA RESEARCH

Leukemia Research Fund's exciting 1993 Winner Every Day calendars are still available, with all proceeds for vital research into leukemia and related blood diseases. Daily prizes, starting Jan. 1, range from $20 to $500 and winners are eligible to win again. Great holiday gifts, the calendar are $20 each, with a limited printing of only 2,000. To inquire, call the LRF offce, 638-8522.

at the JCC

Registration for winter camps and courses at the Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y branch, continues. Winter Vacation Fun Days (ages 4½-10) and Gymnastics Winter Break Camp (ages 8-12) each run Dec. 21,22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30 and 31, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fee for Fun Days is $27 per day or $200 for eight days. Fee for Gymnastics Camp is $108 for four days or $200 for eight days.

Remember Reggae Night and celebrate Chanukah at the Bloor Y, 8:30 p.m. Sat. Dec. 19 when **Ronnie Wiseman** and Band Kedusha, perform Jerusalem/Jamaican music. Tickets are $10 at the Y. For advance tickets call **Luni,** 924-6211.

for seniors

Jewish Community Centre North Y branch **Senior Adult Services** Miami vacation at the Sans Souci Hotel, Jan. 12-Feb. 2 (additional weeks available) includes meals, health spa, trips, activities and much more. Call **Teme Kernerman,** 636-1880, ext. 364.

Lifestyle Donway Place, 8 The Donway East, concludes a two-part lecture series hosted by communication consultant **Lillian Zack,** 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, Giving and Accepting Help. To reserve, call **Marlene White,** 785-1511.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

Music in the Romantic Period, an eight-week course with concert pianist **Mildred Bennett,** 1:30 p.m. Mondays, begins Jan. 4. Members $1, non-members, $2.

For details on winter packages to Florida (Jan., Feb. March), call the office.

Dance to the exciting music of the Creative Band, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 27. Members, $3.50 non-members, $4.

Don't miss an opportunity to purchase handmade articles and good used books at a Craft and Book Sale, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Etrog, an Israeli cultural club for Hebrew speaking adults, welcomes you to a Chanukah party with traditional doughnuts, latkes and great entertainment, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23 in the auditorium. For more information call **Anna,** 225-2112.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club plans a freilich Purim trip to Israel, March 1-22, with 12 full days of touring. Registration for Florida trips is on Tuesdays only, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the shul. **Lenka Lichtenberg** entertains at a Chanukah luncheon, 12:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21. For details on trips and activities, call **Lena,** 785-5773 or **Ruth,** 224-5923. Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield,** 787-1526.

Aluma Canadian Israeli Club meets 7 p.m. Mondays at 15 Hove St. (B'nai Brith Building). Enjoy free games, dance music with **Boris Naiman,** soufganiot and wine, at a Chanukah party, 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27. Tickets, $6, members, $8, non-members, are available at meetings. Phone 635-5604, or 783-9453. On Dec. 28, the movie *Golden Hit* with **Yoram Gaon,** will be shown, Bingo is scheduled for Jan. 4.

Club Hadar meets Mondays and Thursdays, 1-4 p.m. at Garnet A. Williams Centre, Meeting Room 2, 501 Clark Ave. W.. Thornhill. Programs include Tai Chi, painting, discussions, bingo, cards. For information, call **Viola Landsman,** 886-2625.

Wagman Centre upcoming events - a Chanukah party featuring The Heritage Players in the Assembly/Dining Room, 3-4:30 p.m. **Cantor Feldman** in the Assembly Room, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 22.

Though many **L.Z.A. Seniors Club** members are in Florida, the Club continues its daily activities during the winter months, at the Borochov Cultural Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. Light refreshments are available. Phone 633-8579.

Earl Bales Seniors Club programs include a dance in the Clubhouse, 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, free to members, $1 non-members; a dance with a live band, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, in the Community Centre, $3 members, $4, non-members. Remember the Chanukah party and entertainment, includes refreshments, 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22 in the Community Centre, $5 members, $6 non-members. And it's a New Year's Eve dinner and Dance with a live band, starting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, members $28, non-members $30. Next movie, *An Affair to Remember*, is 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23. Members free, non-members, $1. 5-pin bowling for members only, at York Bowlerama, Mondays 1 p.m. The new membership card, $12 per person, is now available at the office. For more information call 636-7856, Monday-Thursday, 9-4.

About People

MEDICAL RESEARCH GRANT

Dr. Paula Strasberg, assistant professor in the department of clinical biochemistry, University of Toronto, and a medical research scientist in the division of neurosciences and clinical genetics at the Hospital for Sick Children, has recently been awarded a three year Canadian Medical Research Council grant to further her investigation into the biochemical basis of Familial Dysautonomia. The Toronto chapter of FD has provided research funding to Strasberg over the past five years.

For further information, call the FD office, 256-3197 or 663-6747.

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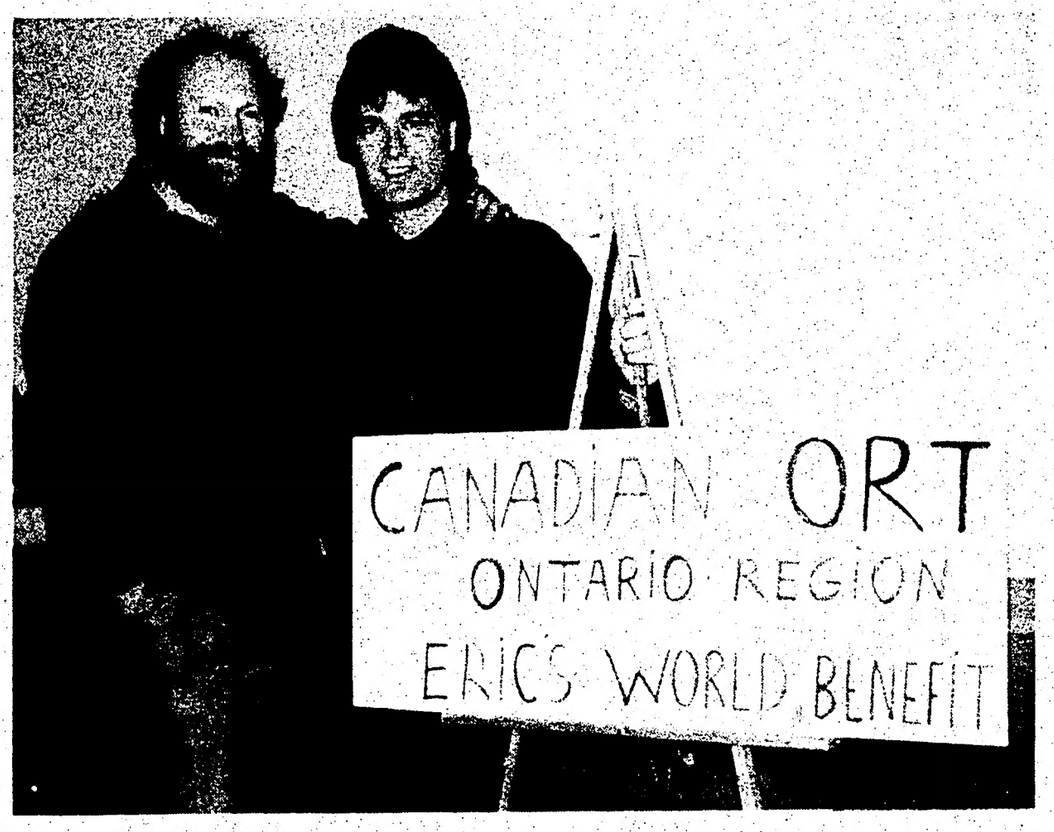
The Toronto Academy of Dentistry recognizes **Dr. Gordon Perlmutter** as the recipient of the 1992 Honorary Life Membership. A member of Alpha Omega dental Fraternity, Perlmutter's community involvement includes volunteer service at the Loyal True Blue and Orange Home, the Bloor Street dental clinic, and Elm Tree Nursing Home. He was on staff at Mt. Sinai Hospital and Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care for 30 years, where he was attending staff. He has also been part-time faculty at the University of Toronto.

NEW CHAIR

Marty Goldberg has been named the new chair for the Toronto Chapter of Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University. Goldberg, who has been active in a number of leadership roles in the community, succeeds Marvin Fox.

SHABBAT PROGRAM

Leo Baeck Day School students performed a special Shabbat program at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, singing English, Hebrew and Yiddish songs. In tallesim are, (left) Jonathan Handler and Eli Rechtsman.



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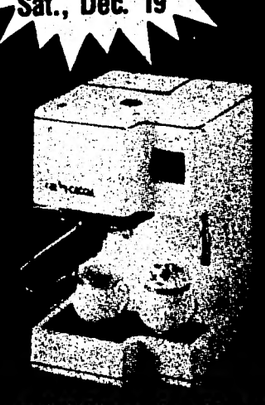

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Organizations and People

Aberman gets U of T post

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Dr. Arnold Aberman has been appointed dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto, effective December 1, 1992 until June 30, 1999. Aberman, the chair of the U of T's Department of Medicine, is the first Jewish dean of U of T's Faculty of Medicine.

"There are many challenges facing medicine and those facing the practice of medicine," says Aberman who notes that he wants to focus on education and research.

Born in Montreal, Aberman graduated from McGill University with a bachelor of science degree (with distinction) and received his medical degree there in 1967. His internship and residency were served at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal and the Albert Eisntein College of Medicine in the Bronx. He then completed pulmonary disease sub-specialty training there and at the Cardiovescular Research Institute of the University of California, San Francisco.

Aberman, an internal medicine and respiratory disease specialist, served as director of the Intensive Care Unit at Mount Sinai Hospital from 1973 to 1989. He was physician-in-chief at Mount Sinai from 1977 to 1987 and associate dean for fiscal affairs at the U of T 1987-1988. From 1989 to 1992, he was physician-in-chief of The Toronto Hospital, formed by a merger of the Toronto General and Toronto Western Hospitals.

Dr. Arnold Aberman

The Faculty of Medicine, which is comprised of several educational programs, has well over 4,000 students, Aberman explains. It is not only the medical school but also houses and trains occupational and physiotherapists, has a community health division, post-graduate medical training, a master's and PhD program in basic science and community health, and is responsible for teaching biological sciences to the arts and science students on the St. George campus. As well, the faculty has affiliations with all the teaching hospitals including the Mount Sinai Hospital and the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.

Aberman is optimistic about the profession of medicine. "Surveys have shown that our medicare system appears to satisfy the needs of both patients and physicians." He notes that the mission of the U of T and of the Faculty of Medicine is to be "an internationally significant research university with education programs of excellent quality."

He adds that the medical profession must work co-operatively with other health care professionals, "therefore we are developing closer ties with nursing, pharmacy and others. And like the rest of society, the faculty has an interest in equity issues — such as encouraging more women and visible minorities to enter the profession."

Aberman is married to Janis (Kaplan) Aberman and they have three children: Robert, 23, who graduated from Wharton College, works in investment banking and is active in the United Jewish Appeal; Michael, 21, a fourth year senior at Cornell; and Leslie, 18, a freshman at Brown University. The Abermans are members of the Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

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Organizations and People

Weizmann explores technical world of virtual reality

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —
What was once the stuff of science fiction novels is becoming practical technology in the scientific world. The latest technology to make the jump from esoterica is virtual reality, a category of computer applications capable of putting the user into another "world" through equipment such as a data glove equipped with sensors and "eyephones" containing miniature televisions to simulate stereoscopic vision.

At the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science, Dr. Derrick De Kerckhove, director of the University of Toronto's McLuhan Program in Culture and Technology, introduced members to virtual reality and discussed its implications.

"Virtual reality is an extraordinary tool for research," said De Kerckhove. In addition to enabling people to shake hands or catch a ball via computer, virtual reality has practical applications in medicine.

Rehabilitation work is being done in California, said De Kerckhove, in which handicapped patients can experience simulated movement. In an interesting twist, doctors can experience the handicaps of their patients via virtual reality, creating an unprecedented level of empathy and possibly setting new standards for patient care.

Part of De Kerckhove's presentation included a demonstration of a variation of virtual reality known as the "very nervous system" by its inventor David Rokeby. The very nervous system translates motion into sound, enabling severely handicapped people to produce music with simple motions of a mouthstick, one hand or even one finger.

Dr. Morris Freedman, member of the Toronto board of Weizmann and director of behavioral neurology at the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, spoke of a collaborative research effort in which he and De Kerckhove are currently involved at Baycrest and Mount Sinai Hospital. Freedman's hypothesis is that the very nervous system can be used to help patients with Parkinson's Disease move more normally.

Based on the positive effect which emotional stimuli have on Parkinson's patients' ability to move, Freedman is hoping to discover a carryover effect from the emotional stimulus of actively making music by using the very nervous system.

"There is tremendous scope for other kinds of research," said Freedman, noting the particular applicability of virtual reality in treating patients with brain lesions whose ability to negotiate physical space has been affected.

The technology now exists for a doctor in Rehovot [location of the Weizmann Institute] to examine a patient in Toronto, noted Dr. Allan Gordon, president of Weizmann's Toronto chapter.

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Murray Koffler brought greetings from Weizmann's international board of governors to the annual meeting and reported that the university now has a balanced budget. He commended university president Haim Harari, who began his term four years ago with Weizmann $32 million in debt.

Nassie Godel, a vice-president of the Toronto board, presented the financial report, indicating a 1.5 percent increase in revenue over the previous year, along with a decrease in expenditures, partly explained by the closing of the Western Regional office.

Thomas Beck was re-elected as national chairman of the board and president for 1993; Dr. Allan Gordon as Toronto chapter president, and David Dennis as Toronto chapter chairman of the board.

Okanagan bar mitzvah a first

KELOWNA, B.C. —
The first bar mitzvah in the Beth Shalom sanctuary, located in the new Okanagan Jewish Community Centre here, was held on Nov. 28 when Gabriel Jacob Cipes was called to the Torah.

There were speeches from the bar mitzvah boy as well as from his mother and brother. Steve Cipes had most of the guests in tears as he read a letter received on the occasion of his own bar mitzvah 35 years ago from his Uncle Abe. The letter addressed Abe's interpretation of the meaning of faith and Judaism.

On behalf of the congregation, president Mel Kotler presented a certificate of bar mitzvah to Gabriel plus a Sabbath and Festival siddur.

Gabriel, in thanking all those who attended, thanked his teachers, especially Lily Lander, for helping him prepare for his bar mitzvah.

A kiddush for the 180 guests followed the service. The Cipes family had a dinner at their home in the evening to celebrate.

John Fraser, Speaker of the House, and Esther Matlow, national president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, at a recent reception in Ottawa.

Hadassah plans Israel bat mitzvah

By MIRIAM SOBEL

OTTAWA —
Next November, Hadassah-WIZO will celebrate the close of its 75th anniversary at a convention in Israel. Some members will celebrate more than that; while in Israel, they plan to become bat mitzvah.

Hadassah-WIZO will hold a group bat mitzvah for women who have never had the chance to be bat mitzvah, and for those who did, but want to do it again.

The early morning service will take place on the terrace at Mount Scopus at the end of November 1993, the day before the Hadassah-WIZO convention ends.

The project was the inspiration of Gini Rosen, 53, of Kingston. Along with several other Kingston women, she had been learning to read Hebrew in preparation for her own first bat mitzvah later this year. She thought she might like to have a second bat mitzvah when she went to Israel for the convention, and came up with the idea of inviting Hadassah-WIZO members to join her.

Women have until January to register for the bat mitzvah. They will be expected to read Hebrew, read from the Torah, deliver a d'var Torah (a lesson on the Torah portion) and understand the structure of the morning services. They will have to make their own arrangements for teachers.

Rosen says the response from women has been "unbelieveable." In one small town Saskatchewan family, for instance, a 12-year-old girl, her mother and her aunt decided to sign on for the ceremony. But there wasn't a single person in town to teach them. Rosen arranged to have self-teaching books and tapes sent to them.

She has no idea how many women will eventually register and complete all the requirements. But she says the ceremony will include however many are committed to taking part.

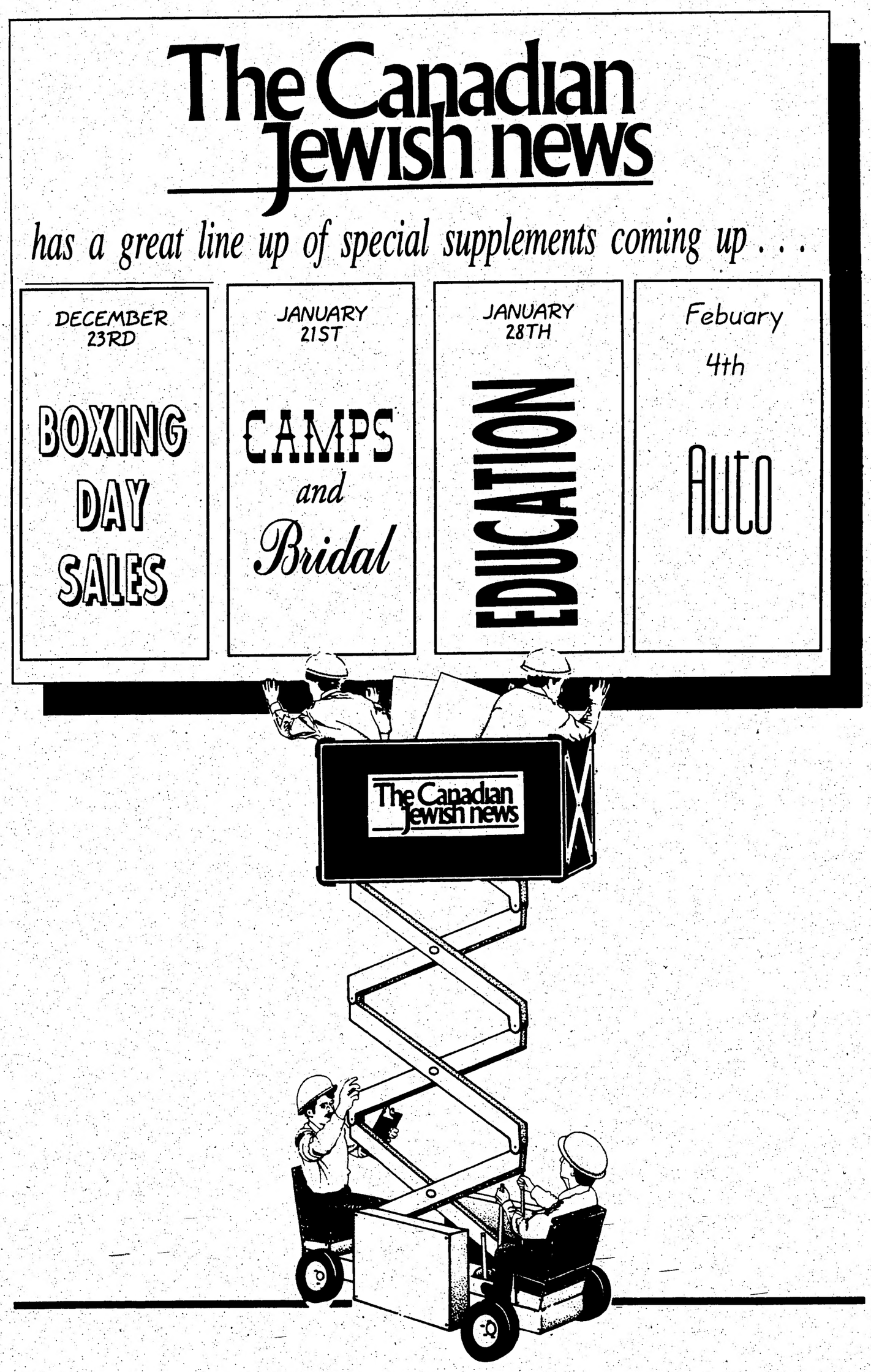
Rosen says women at every level of Hebrew and Torah literacy are planning to participate.

For Hadassah-WIZO, the project is a chance to involve members in Jewish education.

Rosen, who also organizes an annual study day for women from Kingston's Orthodox and Reform congregations, said interest has been sparked by the "explosion of desire to learn more."

She says Hadassah-WIZO is very proud to be promoting this kind of learning among its members.

"If it keeps on urging women to study, then it's worked," she says.



Organizations and People

Two past presidents and their wives at the 10th anniversary gala dinner. On the left, Jim and Becky Pogany; right, Harold and Carla Fink. [Philip Mendes da Costa photo]

Oakville synagogue marks 10th anniversary with gala

By MOURA WOLPERT

OAKVILLE —

"The little shul that grew." Rabbi Edward Goldfarb smiles as he says it and indeed, he has something to smile about.

It was 10 years this past July since the tiny Jewish community of Oakville and a handful of widely scattered families of Burlington joined to form Shaarei-Beth El congregation.

They were just 35 families then. Today, the congregation numbers 120 families.

Recently, they celebrated their 10th anniversary with a gala dinner attended by some 75 to 80 guests.

As part of the anniversary celebrations, the congregation also had the first scholar-in-residence, Rabbi Bernard Baskin, rabbi emeritus of Hamilton's Temple Anshe Sholom, who presented two Shabbat talks.

And the still to come highlight of the anniversay year will be the congregation's first tour to Israel Dec. 21 to 31, led by Rabbi Goldfarb. Fifteen members have signed up, all of them making their first trip to Israel.

The original Beth El congregation of Oakville was founded in 1955 by 10 families and its synagogue on Morrison Road was dedicated in 1962.

Meanwhile the number of Jewish families in Burlington began to grow. They needed a synagogue, so it made sense for the two communities to join and in 1982, the official merger took place.

On July 14, 1982, Rabbi Goldfarb became the congregation's first full-time rabbi and looking back to that time, he acknowledges that the congregation "took quite a risk."

They were "35 families with dreams and aspirations" who needed "a rabbi around whom to build a congregation."

And with "fears and trepidations and without having the necessary financial foundation, they hired a rabbi," he told *The CJN* in a recent interview.

But membership grew rapidly and before long, the existing building was too small. Expansion became necessary and in 1986, the congregation dedicated its new sanctuary, which can accommodate up to 350 people and can be converted to a social hall.

"This is a forward-thinking congregation that took risks prudently," comments Rabbi Goldfarb.

The current president is Toronto lawyer, Philip Mendes da Costa, and vice-president is Barry Pasis.

The membership consists primarily of Oakville, Burlington and Mississauga area residents, with a few coming from as far as Toronto in the east and Hamilton in the west.

"As the only synagogue in Halton," says Rabbi Goldfarb, who is chair of the Canadian region, Central Conference of American Rabbis, "we try to appeal to Jews who identify with both the Conservative and the Reform movements."

Also, people became less hesitant about moving into the area "once they realized that there is a synagogue in Oakville, that their children can have a Jewish education and that they can become bar or bat mitzvah."

Eighty-five students are enrolled in the religious school, which now has a part-time director of education, Baruch Browns.

Rabbi Goldfarb, a former director of education at Temple Sinai before he entered the rabbinate, teaches the senior grades and conducts bar and bat mitzvah instruction.

"We're having about seven or eight bar mitzvahs this year," he mentions.

He also teaches Hebrew for adults and runs an adult education program, including a half-hour class preceding regular Shabbat morning services.

There are youth groups for juniors and teens, with about 15 teenagers enrolled in the latter, a nursery school, a choir, folkdancing groups for adults and children and "a very active" Sisterhood.

Also important is an outreach program "for Jews-by-choice and the intermarried."

The community also has it's own cemetery, a section in the Oakville town cemetery, "which has been duly consecrated."

Rabbinical courts making return

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

"Rabbinical courts in the Diaspora, including Canada, are making a comeback," hearing a variety of cases including those involving marital disputes, an audience at the Jewish Book Fair was told recently.

Orders issued by rabbinical courts and based on Jewish law can be as binding as orders of civil courts if both parties consent to it in writing, lawyer John Syrtash said.

Syrtash, author of *Religion and Culture in Canadian Family Law*, said that a number of factors are leading Jewish couples — including non-observant ones — to seek the intervention of rabbinical courts: lower costs, less paperwork, quicker resolutions to disputes and the ability to present cases without the aid of lawyers.

Most important for many is that religious courts, unlike civil courts, place a great emphasis on spiritual values and are sensitive to issues like religious observance and Jewish education in determining custody and access to children, he said.

A lawyer with experience in both civil and religious courts, Syrtash offered a favorable analysis of Orthodox Jewish courts, contrasting it to the civil system, in which, he argued, mediators and judges are sometimes insensitive to the religious/holy aspect of matrimony.

Both Jewish and secular courts make the best interests of the child the overriding factor in determining custody and access, Syrtash said, though they differ markedly over how they define it.

Jewish law does not believe that you can separate parenting skills from religious observance, a concept foreign to civil courts.

Addressing the issues of "rabbinical bias against women," Syrtash said "nothing could be further from the truth."

In the majority of cases, the mother receives custody of the child.

Women are seen as primary caregivers for the first 24 months of life and will almost always get custody during that period, he said.

Up to 6 years of age, a mother is allowed to forego custody, but after 6, especially for girls (whose place is considered to be next to her mother), custody is usually given to the mother.

One factor a religious court will consider is the wishes of the child, he added.

Secular courts often refuse to judge "the goodness" of the parents and first look at where the child has been residing since the marriage breakdown, not wishing to disturb the status quo. Assessors such as social workers and psychiatrists who report on the family often ignore the child's spiritual growth and the courts weigh these reports in considering the future of children, Syrtash said.

Syrtash's lecture was sponsored by B'nai Brith Canada.

Rabbi Yehiel Benayon, registrar of Toronto's religious court (Beth Din), said the court performs a broad range of arbitration services, dealing with business disputes, labor relations and domestic law. Litigants need not be Orthodox or even Jewish, he said.

Two of the three rabbis who sit on the Beth Din are appointed by the parties, while the third is chosen by the other two rabbis. Rabbi Benayon said that in 95 percent of the cases, the parties abide by the Beth Din's decision.

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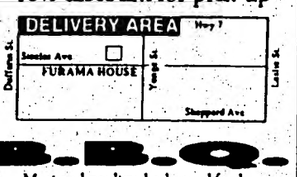

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Organizations and People

Muslim students remove book

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Union of Muslim Students (UMS) at the University of Windsor has agreed to refrain from distributing a book containing the anti-Semitic Protocols of the Elders of Zion.

A representative of the UMS signed an agreement with the secretary of the university's Jewish Students Organization (JSO) after the JSO complained about the book to the the university's race relations officer. The book containing the protocols, entitled *The Jewish Conspiracy*, had been on display, along with other works, on a UMS book table in the school's business administration building.

Under terms of the agreement, mediated by race relations officer Subhas Ramcharan, the UMS acknowledges that *The Jewish Conspiracy*, "was offensive to the Jewish group on campus."

The agreement also goes on to promised that "this book and other anti-Semitic literature will not be distributed on [campus] by the UMS in any other book sales."

The UMS also agreed that "at [its] next public event, a flyer will be prepared by the UMS which will include. . . details of what the Protocols of the Elders of Zion are, and what violence they have incited." In addition, the flyer will include "an apology for the distress that the book's distribution caused Jewish students and an apology for legitimizing the idea of a Jewish conspiracy."

There was no indication in the agreement when the public apology will be offered — a point that concerned Elaine Strosberg, secretary of the JSO, who signed the agreement.

Allen Juris, executive director of the Windsor Jewish Federation, said "I have every confidence that the University of Windsor will assist us in resolving the situation amicably. . . The federation will follow up to be sure that the agreement is enforced within a reasonable period of time."

A spokesman for the UMS was unavailable for comment.

At the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University Young Leadership Circle kick-off reception is (from left) Carrie Cash, Marty Cash, co-chair of Young Leadership Circle; David Altman, vice-president of global affairs, and Phil Schwartz, national president, Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University.

BIU Friends start new group

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

The future of Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University is in safe hands with the recent formation of the Young Leadership Circle.

The group, comprised mostly of 30 to 40 year olds, was formed in order to ensure the continuation of support for the university. "Bar-Ilan in Canada is attempting to initiate a new generation under a separate identity," says Col. Meir Rottem, Israeli emissary for the university. "Made up of professionals from various fields, they all recognize the importance of higher education in Israel."

At its kick-off reception, David Altman, vice-president, global affairs for Bar-Ilan, praised the group and told them that "to survive, Israel must be strong and to be strong there must be a first-class educational system. Without that, there is no future."

He said that Jews are in a constant war for their survival, both spiritually and physically. "Anti-Semitism today is stronger than ever in countries such as the United States, Canada, Germany and Russia. What role are we playing in this war? What are we doing as individuals and as a group? Security is a big factor in survival but Israel needs other qualities as well. University is part of our war of survival, part of what we can do together."

Altman said that Bar-Ilan is a top university and cited among other recent achievements, the development of a chemoprotective drug which reduces toxicities associated with chemotherapy and radiation therapy. The drug was synthesized by Michael Albeck of the Chemistry Department and developed by Benjamin Sredni, head of the Cancer AIDS and Immunology Institute at Bar-Ilan.

Also invented at Bar-Ilan is the cell scan which uses blood samples to detect solid malignant masses in their early stages. The scan, which will eventually be used in every hospital in North America, has a 99.9 percent accuracy rate.

Other facilities include law, with a student body of over 400 and humanities which covers such areas as philosphy, classical studies, comparative literature, information studies, library science and musicology.

Jewish studies form at least 25 percent of every student's curriculum at Bar-Ilan and Rottem says that the university, with its combination of Torah studies and science is unique in Israel. Men who want to continue intense study of the Torah along with their regular academic program can enrol in the Institute for Advanced Torah. Midrasha for Women is based on the concept that a Jewish woman may advance and deepen her academic knowledge along with her knowledge of Judaism.

Altman told the group that in this year of survival the Friends of Bar-Ilan University "are the soldiers and we give you the power and courage to do your work. Today, we must be united. We do not want to be carried, or to carry you. We want to walk side by side together with you."

Committee chairs for the Young Leadership Circle are Marty Cash, Bob Cash and David Walerstein.

CJA to maintain high visibility

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Though the campaign is essentially over this year the Combined Jewish Appeal (CJA) continues to maintain a high visibility.

"We felt that it was time to provide programming for the community on a year-round basis," says Sheldon Zamick, campaign director. "This way, when we solicit volunteers and funds, we believe people will be more understanding and more willing to contribute."

The CJA kicked off its new look in September with an evening featuring comedian Yakov Smirnoff. In early December, well-known author and lecturer Dennis Prager was brought in by the campaign in conjunction with the Shaarey Zedek Synagogue and the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba.

The CJA however is not merely bringing in outside entertainment and lecturers. The organization has also established a Speakers' Bureau which is being co-chaired by Joan Rusen and Madame Justice Bonnie Helper. "Our object is to provide positive information and education to the community leadership through short presentations to meetings of Jewish organizations they are already attending," Zamick says of the new program. "Our speakers will help to fully explain to community organizations what the CJA is and what it is doing, the purpose of our fundraising and how they can participate more fully."

To reach younger members of the community, the campaign leadership last year created its Jewish Leaders of Tomorrow (JLT) branch. In October, it renamed the JLT the Young Adult Division (YAD) to make the name better reflect what the young adult group represents. As well, MBA student Aaron Margolis has joined chairs Fred Rutman and Jeff Lieberman. YAD currently has 20 active members and is working on linkages with other Jewish young adult groups to create social and educational programs for university students and other young adults while also making them more aware of the CJA.

Zamick reports that the CJA is planning several exciting programs for the year ahead. "There are a number of people out there who are still not involved in our campaigns," he says. "We want to show them that the CJA is not just about raising money."

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Liberal intellectuals denounced by Wisse

By BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —

"I was miserable writing the book and had to invent all kinds of strategies for myself," said Ruth Wisse, well-known author and professor of Yiddish, about her new book, *If I Am Not For Myself: The Liberal Betrayal of the Jews.* The book deals with the persistence of anti-Semitism in the world and the failure of liberalism to defend the Jews.

Wisse told a large gathering at the Leah Posluns Theatre during the 16th annual Jewish Book Fair that she was greatly influenced in her salad days by a circle of New York liberal intellectuals that included Lionel Trilling, Irving Howe, Harold Rosenberg as well as "my favorite novelist, Saul Bellow."

Many writers in this circle, whom Wisse described as great thinkers with tremendous political courage, produced articles for journals like *Commentary* and the *Partisan Review* that reflected their elevated sense of politics and culture. "Yet," she said, "they failed to notice the war against the Jews in the 1940s that succeeded in destroying most of the Jews of Europe."

Many of them acknowledged their blind spot in their memoirs, she said. "Hardly one [of their memoirs] does not express regret at this oversight, for not having been Zionists, for not having stepped in and done something for the Jews at this most terrible time." However, she repeated a Yiddish proverb: "Three things always come too late — wisdom, regrets and the fire brigade."

According to Wisse, liberal intellectuals who put their faith in reason, social progress and the inherent goodness of man have developed sophisticated strategies for escaping a most painful reality. That reality is simply that the Jewish people have always had ruthless antagonists who will settle for nothing less than their destruction.

When the war against the Jews heats up, liberal thinkers invariably abandon the Jews and "flee the battlefield," Wisse observed. Some simply ignore anti-Semitism while others perceive it in a universal context of human rights, she said. The latter approach "is self-defeating because the enemy comes and reverses it and says it's the Jews who are committing the human rights abuses. You end up being accused in the same language you wanted to use for your protection."

An "awful symmetry" pervades the 20th century, said Wisse. In the first half, Germans, Poles and others projected a variety of odious qualities onto the Jews, then attacked them. Now a parallel obsession grips the Arab world, from which much anti-Semitic propaganda flows.

"I believe that opposition to the Jews is used by Muslim autocrats and dictators, just as it was in Europe in the first half of the century," said Wisse, suggesting that Jew-hating national leaders use anti-Semitism to unite their nations in hatred and to divert attention from important domestic issues.

The Jews have big noses, wear peculiar costumes and speak a strange tongue: anti-Semites throughout history have used such complaints to justify anti-Semitic words and deeds and to impose unreasonable demands upon the Jews, Wisse said.

It is foolhardy to attempt to change yourself to accommodate enemies who do not recognize you and are bent on your destruction, she said. "I believe that the Jews could not modify their behavior to satisfy the Poles. It was up to the Poles to modify their behavior. This is what liberalism is unprepared to say."

Similarly, no concession to Arab demands, no surrendering of land or prisoners, will persuade the Arab natiions to come to terms with Israel, she said. "Jews cannot bring peace to the Middle East because Israel did not initiate war in the Middle East. The ideal Jewish state in the Arab point of view is no Jewish state at all."

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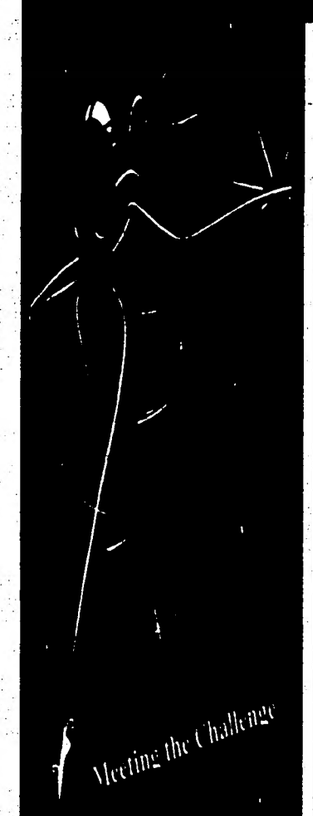

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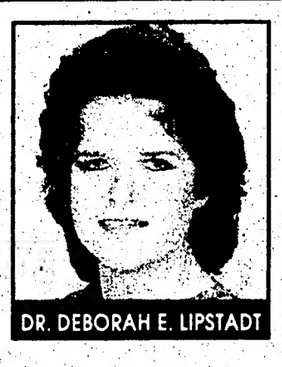
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Dr. Lipstadt is Professor of Modern Jewish Studies at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. She has spoken throughout the world on topics relating to Jewish Identity and Continuity, Women and Judaism and the Holocaust. She has given public lectures in the former Soviet Union and consulted to the German government on methods of teaching Jewish history and the Holocaust.
Dr. Lipstadt is presently a historical consultant to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. She will soon be publishing her newest book Denying the Holocaust: The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory.

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Organizations and People

Aarons gets Mazon position

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

From her new office in a building not far from the Bathurst Street corridor, Marilyn Aarons is quick to deflect questions about herself to the organization she represents.

"Let's talk about Mazon Canada," she says. "That's what's really important."

As the newly-installed executive director of Mazon Canada, Aarons believes that raising the organization's profile is her foremost task.

Not everyone realizes the good work being done by Mazon, she says, the support it gives to organizations fighting to improve the lives of Canadians from coast to coast.

"We provide a vehicle for the Jewish community, through the Jewish community, to deal with hunger," she explains.

Mazon Canada does that by raising money in the Jewish community and allocating it on a non-denominational basis to frontline organizations that attempt to provide food for those in need.

Pointing to Mazon's most recent round of allocations, Aarons said that by the end of 1992, it will have distributed a total of $103,500 to 43 frontline organizations across the country. Despite the bite of the recession, that figure was up from $85,350 the year before.

Recipients of Mazon's allocations include a broad cross-section of helping organizations, of which only 45 percent are Jewish. Among those aided by Mazon are the Albert County Action Committee in Riverview, NB, which received $750, the Drop in Centre in Montreal, which was given $2,500, and the Fort McMurray Food Bank Association in Fort McMurray, Alta., which got $1,500.

Jewish organizations that received Mazon money include Bikur Cholim in Toronto ($2,000) and B'nai Brith Women in Vancouver ($2,500).

Mazon Canada represents a practical Jewish response to hunger, Aarons says. Initially it obtained its

Marilyn Aarons

funds by requesting that families celebrating a simcha set aside three percent of their food costs for Mazon. "It's an appropriate way of increasing your mitzvah and it's in line with Jewish teaching," she says.

By doing so, Mazon Canada was asking Jews to make a moral connection between their celebrations and the social inequities that see Canadians going hungry in the midst of plenty.

In recent years Mazon has broadened its fundraising approaches. It now receives substantial sums from special events like raffles and its Sukkot harvest campaign as well as from people who donate money to honor others or who are acknowledging a loved one during a bereavement, she says.

Last winter, a "pushke" (charity box) campaign at Jewish schools netted a surprising $4,000, so a couple of weeks ago, more pushkes were delivered to schools in the hopes of repeating last year's success.

Other fundraising approaches being examined include a children's concert, a tuxedo-less, foodless dinner and dance and a tea-less tea.

Mazon's success has been building gradually, Aarons says. "I think we've grown beautifully. We're going to continue and we're doing that while never losing sight of the reason we're here — [helping Canadians] fighting hunger at the street level."

Aarons' connection with Mazon is certainly not a new one. Responding to a suggestion from her friend Roger Hyman, she joined Mazon's board in 1988, becoming a member of its allocations committee.

Mazon was addressing an issue "I feel very strongly about," she says.

When Hyman announced he was stepping down as executive director, Aarons threw her hat in the nominations ring. As co-ordinator of Energy Probe in the early 1980s, she was experienced in running a non-profit foundation and she has good communications skills as a result of her work as head of Focus Communications, her own company.

Her communications and administration skills were recognized by the former Liberal government of Ontario, when in August, 1985, she was appointed director of Liberal members' services at Queen's Park, with responsibility for the research, communication and administrative services to Liberal MPPs and their staffs.

Since 1987, she has been in business for herself, running Focus Communications.

Clarification

In the December 10 article about She'arim Hebrew Day School, the suggestion was made that all day schools receive per capita grants from the Board of Jewish Education. In fact, the BJE provides individual subsidies to children whose families do not pay the full per capita fee at BJE supported schools.

As well, Rabbi Irwin Witty should have been quoted as saying that before the establishment of She'arim, there were no options for parents who wanted special-education programs in a day school setting.

Canadian history study proves rich in detail

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

A history of the Canadian Jewish community which takes us only to 1920 begs many questions. This is the case with *Taking Root* by Professor Gerald Tulchinsky of Queen's University, Kingston.

Subtitled *The Origins of the Canadian Jewish Community*, this book would be infinitely better if it could apply the lessons of this early development to the far different and much more populous (300,000) Canadian Jewish community of today.

Nevertheless Tulchinsky's study is a fascinating one, rich in the detail of the struggles of Jews to find their place in the sun in their various far-flung places in Canada. *Taking Root* is not an overview — it gets right into the nitty gritty of these battles, with so much detail, it is sometimes overpowering.

Tulchinsky, a speaker at Jewish Book Fair, develops the thesis (as others have before him) that the Canadian Jewish community was shaped by the Canadian affiliation to the British crown, to become quite different, in some ways, from the Jewish community in the United States.

One other critical factor in this process, he says, is that there were no German Jews to put their stamp of Reformism and anti-Zionism on the Jewish community of Canada, as they did during the 19th century in the United States. In Canada, he writes, there was more religious unity (Orthodoxy) and the few centres of Jewish population allowed our national institutions, such as the Canadian Zionists, to operate more effectively than in our neighboring country with its countervailing Jewish centres.

Another important factor was the ongoing battle of Quebec Jews for the right to educate their children and also against virulent anti-Semitism. American Jews at no time had to wage this kind of battle for their civil rights, he maintains.

His detailed account of the strikes of Jewish clothing workers in Montreal in the early 1900s is a sociological document mirroring in human terms the struggle between the working class and the upper class of the Jewish community.

One of the illustrations in *Taking Root* speaks volumes of the attempt made by some Jews to exploit the patriotic connection with Britain. It was a poster distributed in Montreal in 1917 urging Jewish men to join a locally recruited Jewish Reinforcement Company under the command of Capt. Freedman for the Canadian Army.

"Britain expects every son of Israel to do his duty," the poster trumpeted, with portraits of three distinguished British Jews, Herbert Samuel, Viscount Reading and Edwin Montagu, gazing out sternly. In the centre of the poster, a young Jewish man was shown being freed from ropes by a British soldier, while the Jew proclaims: "You have cut my bonds and set me free — now let me help you set others free."

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David Mirvish

During his first career as an art dealer in the '60s and '70s, David Mirvish established one of ther most influential modern art galleries on the continent. In 1982, he joined forces with his father Ed in the ownership and operation of The Royal Alexandra Theatre in Toronto and The Old Vic Theatre in London, England.

In 1986, Mirvish established his own company, Mirvish Productions, which has produced such hits for the stage of the Royal Alex (and elsewhere) as ***Buddy*** *and* ***The Mikado****. He is also responsible for bringing to Toronto important international companies such as The Berliner Ensemble and the English Shakespeare Company.*

In 1989, Ed and David Mirvish co-produced the Canadian production of ***Les Miserables*** *which has also toured Canada and the United States. Currently, Mirvish is building a new theatre near the Royal Alex to house the production of* ***Miss Saigon*** *which will open in May, 1993, the first commercial free-standing theatre built in North America in 30 years. In 1990, Mirvish was honored with the Brenda Donohue Award for his contribution to Canadian theatre by the Toronto Theatre Alliance. CJN correspondent Paula Citron recently spoke with Mirvish in a wide-ranging interview.*

CJN: *How did the Mirvishes even get involved in theatre in the first place? Given your dad's background, I find it bizarre that you're a family of theatre impresarios.*

Mirvish: When The Royal Alexandra was originally put up for sale in 1962, it had only been opened 16 weeks the previous year. It never was closed totally but it was having a hard time finding shows and the idea was that O'Keefe Centre would replace it and that it would be torn down eventually.

When my father saw the theatre, he was taken by its beauty and he felt that someone should try to save it. He couldn't understand why anyone would want to tear down something so complicated to build. He decided to give himself five years to see if he could make a go of the theatre. It will be our 30th anniversary next year. Next year's also the 10th anniversary of buying The Old Vic.

CJN: *Did you ever think you'd personally get into the theatre business in such a major way? You were such a committed art dealer.*

Mirvish: No. I considered myself the audience. I saw contracts and knew what my uncle and my father were doing with the bookings, and I ocasionally was even asked my opinion, but I was someone who went to the theatre.

One day, I said, "Theatre could be more exciting!" — it was in the mid 80s when I said that — and I said it out loud. You shouldn't ever say anything out loud in our family unless you want to be responsible for your comment. So I was given the responsibility of booking the theatres and the exciting part of it is that it has been very fulfilling.

CJN: *What is the philosophy behind your role in entertainment in this city?*

Mirvish: I don't know that I come with a philosophy. I think that I come more with curiosity. I use the theatre as a way of entertaining myself and I think that my curiosity is reflected in the general community. One day I'll do something like *Buddy* and the next day I'll do *The Wars of the Roses* and I think that that range exists in all individuals. When you have a 1,500 seat theatre, you have to speak to a very broad community to keep it full, but you don't have to speak to the entire community in every show, and the base of subscriptions gives me a chance to be a little experimental.

Within a season where I may have a number of musicals, I can put in a show like Thomson Highway's *Dry Lips Oughta Move to Kapuskasing* which I know is not to the taste of all my audience, but which is an important Canadian play.

CJN: *Your theatre has been accused of catering to the geriatric crowd. Is that what you regard as your role in commercial theatre?*

Mirvish: I'll tell you somewthing. The letters of complaint that I get don't always come from the older people. You can't shock them. They've all had grandchildren and children and they've seen everything. They have as much right to be a part of the theatre community as anyone else. I actually think that my audience is growing younger and certainly *Les Miserables* appealed to a very broad spectrum.

The subscription season, because you have to commit up front and because you're committing to several plays at once, does tend to get an audience that is older. I keep them in mind in the selection of what I do, but in fact, I would say that 50 is more typical of the average age of my audience.

CJN: *Would you say that producing Les Miserables set a new direction for the Mirvishes and, by extensioin, for theatre in Toronto?*

Mirvish: Perhaps in some ways, though I think the direction was always there. When we first decided that we would involve ourselves with producing, that was a landmark for The Royal Alex. Our first productions were joint ventures with regional non-profit theatres in Winnipeg, Edmonton and Ottawa. We've also worked with the Canadian Opera Company doing *Kismet* and the Shaw Festival doing *The Women* and with Stratford.

In fact, this year the greatest success at Stratford is *H.M.S. Pinafore* which originally was produced by the Royal Alex with Brian Macdonald. In London, we co-produced *Kiss Me Kate* with The Royal Shakespeare Company. There are many different ways of creating theatre and I think we are taking advantage of all of them.

CJN: *But don't you feel that the mega-musicals are changing people's perception of what theatre is — that theatre isn't theatre unless it has huge scenic effects like helicopters landing and chandeliers falling.*

Mirvish: I think that these big shows add to the nature of what the city is; there's room to have a very broad range of theatre. Production values are important in large-scale modern musicals because they attract an audience that goes beyond the traditional legitimate theatre audience and this is what I believe is keeping theatre alive.

These productions open the door to people who've never been to a live production before in their life. There's no question that it reaches a much broader audience than doing *The Government Inspector* but my subscription audience, I felt, wanted to see *Les Miserables* more than any show I could bring them. I passed on bringing *Cats* because I didn't want to interrupt the subscription, but *Les Miz* was hard to turn down.

As well, *Les Miserables* brought in people from outside Toronto. For *Miss Saigon* I already have groups from Cleveland, Pittsburg, Detroit and Buffalo looking to come to Toronto because the show is available here. The simple answer is, I think, that *Miss Saigon* and *Les Miserables* increase the theatre audience as a whole.

There only are five productions in the world of *Miss Saigon* at this moment. In North America, you can see the show only in New York, Chicago and Toronto.

CJN: *You don't regard these mega musicals as the bread and circuses of ancient Rome? Of catering to the common denominator?*

Mirvish: I don't know that the common denominator shouldn't be allowed to have a show too. *Les Miserables* is unabashedly trying to pull your heart strings and it does some cheap tricks to get there. Those cheap tricks are appropriate in dealing with 1,500 people and giving them a special experience together. It's part of the nature of scale and when you begin to look at these things and say what's appropriate to what size house, you begin to judge them very differently.

We recently opened in Vancouver to the first really bad review I've ever seen for *Les Miserables* and you could teli that the reviewer just didn't want to see theatre in anything bigger than 300 seats. It didn't have to do with the show. It had to do with a mind-set about what his definition of theatre was, and in dismissing *Les Miz*, he was putting a limit on theatre in general.

CJN: *When I first heard that you were actually building a theatre to accommodate Miss Saigon I was stunned. Can you fill that theatre when Miss Saigon leaves?*

Mirvish: You have to believe that there is a future and that there will always be people creating, and that theatre is not a particular show but the creative process; there was theatre before me and there'll be theatre long after me and if the theatres exist, then there's a chance for someone to use them.

CJN: *Then you're not worried about fillling the theatre.*

Mirvish: Our history is that we've never sat dark in 30 years. With two theatres, I'll have more of an opportunity to present a wider range in my subscription and therefore offer more to my subscribers for the future. The second theatre also gives me a chance not interrupt the subscription and still have an open-ended running show; so I think that we're simply strengthening the theatre base that we have.

CJN: *Besides providing jobs, are these big shows impacting on the theatre community in any other way?*

Mirvish: It's easier to cast *Les Miserables* today in Toronto than it was four years ago. Two of the female roles require a belt voice in the high C range; four years ago we saw 1,300 singers and found two who had that skill. We saw four in one morning two years later on a call, so the community sees what's required and they go out and acquire the skills.

I think that the same sense of excitement will attract new writers. Someone has been able to tell a story in a very effective way through *Les Miserables*. Hopefully, we as Canadians have our own stories and we'll find a way of expressing them. And I think that if we do, we'll be glad to have the buildings in which to perform them, so it's a bit of a leap of faith into the future.

CJN: *There's been a lot of comment about the impact that these mega-shows are going to have on the smaller, non-profit subsidized theatre. Do you see yourself as "David, the theatre killer"?*

Mirvish: I believe that it's healthy and helpful to the small theatres. I think that asking people to think and participate and be part of something is healthy for our community as a whole whether it's a baseball game or going to the ROM or making use of the Art Gallery of Ontario or coming to the Royal Alex. It's all part of being a city.

I've a pretty good relationship with most of the smaller theatres because that's where I look to for the talent that I'm going to need to fill my big theatres so I see us as allies who strengthen each other. I don't think that we take any audience away from each other. In fact, what we're getting now is a bit more of a crossover; there's more theatre awareness.

CJN: *Do you only produce shows that you personally respond to?*

Mirvish: Yes, but I surprise myself sometimes with what I enjoy in a theatre. You have to keep yourself open. For example, I put off seeing *Buddy* in London for three months because I didn't think that I'd enjoy it. I finally had to go because the producer was a friend of mine, but once I was there I had as much fun as any night I've spent in the theatre. That's why I produced the show in Toronto and it turned out to be a real success. After the first run, *Buddy* went out on tour for two years and we brought it back to the Alex this past summer for another successful engagement.

CJN: *When you produce a show rather than bringing in a touring production, what do you consider to be the key element?*

Mirvish: I'm looking for directors who are capable of giving a total evening of theatre. When I started producing, a number of people who were critics said, "David, who will direct? There are no directors in Canada," and I said, "That's not true." I named five or six people that I believed were interesting directors. There's so much energy and creativity potential in this area. It's important that we produce good directors.

CJN: *Canadians have a reputation for eating their young. It seems that every time we have someone who becomes really successful, we have to tear them down. Do you feel that pressure — that people are hoping the Mirvishes will end up flat on their faces?*

Mirvish: No. Actually, everyone's been very nice to us. It's not much of a story but it's the truth, even in London. Initially there was some concern about The Old Vic and the press was pretty hostile to my father — the upstart Canadian. He went over after he'd bought the theatre, invited the press to the Old Vic and signed the documents with the previous management on the stage in front of them.

He then asked the press if they had any questions and by the end of the interview they loved him and have treated him wonderfully ever since. The Queen made him a Commander of the British Empire.

CJN: *If I asked you to sum up what you think you have done for entertainment in Toronto, what would you say has been your greatest impact?*

Mirvish: I think that I'm too close to be my own judge, but I can say that we've brought some employment to the city and I think we've brought a little bit of creativity and maybe a little flair. But mainly I hope we've brought some enjoyment to people.

Arts

Eye on Arts

The Atlantic Jewish Council, in conjunction with the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation, is currently hosting one hour weekly specials dedicated to the community each Sunday morning from 11 a.m. to 12 noon on CKDU FM (97.5).

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Temple Sinai's Children's Choir, prepared by Ted Lebow, will perform Leonard Bernstein's Chichester Pslams in Hebrew at the Canadian Children's Dance Theatre's holiday program.

Wintersong celebrates the holiday season through a combination of spiritual and secular traditions.

It will run from Dec. 17-20 at Harbourfront Centre's Premiere Dance Theatre.

For reservations call 973-4000.

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The Russian dance troupe Kalinka will present a unique evening of music and dance on Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Featuring internationally acclaimed singers, the Russian troupe also includes dancers that have had years of experience with such well-known companies as the Moiseyev Folk Dance Ensemble. A special tribute to Mendel Green will be made during the evening. Green has helped the troupe obtain landed immigrant status since they were stranded in Toronto earlier this year over a contract dispute.

Traditional Chanukah refreshments will be served following the performance.

For tickets call 783-6103.

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The Canadian premiere of *Kvetch* opens Jan. 15 at the Poor Alex Theatre, 296 Brunswick Ave. This sardonic slice of contemporary North American life by Steven Berkoff examines the tension and frustration seething under the surface of domesticity in a marriage that has run out of stream. With direct address, Berkoff exposes his Jewish roots.

Kvetch stars Gerry Salsberg, Ralph Small, Judy Silver, Danny Wengle and Joan Heney.

For reservations call 927-8998.

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Catch him if you can: Actor/director David Eisner will be going on the air this months with two radio dramas which he has produced and directed. Eisner is also producing and directing a one hour comedy pilot for CBC radio called *Ink*. It's about a couple who run an alternative newspaper on Queen Street.

Eisner will also be performing in a comedy radio serial called *Rummors and Borders* starting in the new year three times a week. In it, he plays a househusband whose wife is in real estate.

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The Diaspora Yeshiva Band will appear in Toronto on Dec. 26 at the Beth Avraham Yoseph Synaogue at 8 p.m.

The Diaspora Yeshiva Band is considered Israel's number one "religious rock" band. It is made up of five young men, all students at the Diaspora Yeshiva on Mount Zion in Jerusalem, who have returned to traditional Judaism whose values and teachings they express in a progressive rock style.

With several Israeli TV shows and three albums, the band has made its mark in Jewish music both in Israel and in America.

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The Doug Barr Children's Show will be held at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., on Feb. 21 at 2 p.m., sponsored by the synagogue's young families committee.

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Manipulation of sex slammed by Robins

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

The commercial exploitation of sex has damaged the potential for human relationships, said former Canadian Zionist Federation executive director Monty Robins at the recent Jewish Book Fair. Robins spoke on Three Pillars of Society - Sex, Money, Power, themes which he explored in his recent (and first) novel, *The Manuscript of Joe Smithwitz.*

Using his book as a vehicle for his philosophies was "both a trap and an opportunity I wouldn't and couldn't resist," said Robins. Most of the book, which the author described as "controversial," is a posthumous trip through the warped mind of Joe Smithwitz, via his diary, in an attempt to exonerate the other driver involved in the car accident which killed him.

The novel is set in England and Toronto, reflecting Robins' own background: born in Portsmouth, England, he emigrated to Canada in 1972 with his wife and three sons. The fictitious Smithwitz, unable to find true love, is deeply enmeshed in the world of pornography and prostitutes. There are frequent references to Smithwitz's Jewish background and environment, and a thought-provoking ending of particular interest from a Jewish standpoint.

In addition to the dangers of pornography and a lament for the days when "sex was a simple experience to express love and affection," Robins talked about the "abusive and corruptive use of power which has become so widespread it has become accepted as normal behavior." He decried abuse of power by politicians as well as the media.

Money, intertwined with power, was also on Robins' agenda. "Money buys power and influence unconnected to the ability or ethics of those acquiring it," he said. "The relentless pursuit of money has become counterproductive to a fulfilling lifestyle. You can get a bigger and better house, but that doesn't mean you'll have a happier family. Too many of us fall prey to pursuing aggressively the three pillars [sex, money and power] in the hope that they will bring happiness and fulfilment."

Robins bemoaned the increasing acceptance of violence in our society in recent decades, attributable in part to television.

Robins doesn't advocate censorship, he said. "Is there such a thing as a power of the people?" he asked. "Yes, but regretfully the power of the establishment is such that the only power of the people is to revolt," he said.

Robins' talk was sponsored by Shaarei Tefilah Congregation, where the author is an active member. Their sponsorship "does not imply acceptance of the book and what I have to say," Robins took care to explain. "Some may find certain parts of the book offensive, although that was not my intention. Shaarei Tefilah's sponsorship is a recognition of Jewish Book Fair's contribution to community affairs rather than a recognition of specific items on the program."

Books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Love affair with books

The 16th Annual Toronto Jewish Book Fair makes us aware, once again, of the enduring power of the written word.

Through the long centuries Jews have enjoyed an intense and continuous love affair with the Book. Ben Gurion, an ardent bibliophile all his life, asserted: "More than the Jewish people preserved the book, has the book preserved the Jewish people?"

Even during the Dark Ages when only a few non-Jews could sign their name, Jews had already developed a system of universal education. At a time when the concept of adult education was unheard of, many Jews regarded it as a sacred duty to engage in daily study. In Eastern Europe, humble artisans and manual workers would come together regularly for systematic study and discussion.

A variety of laws and customs developed over the ages to protect books. It was not permitted, for example, to place any article on top of a book or manuscript. A holy book, if it fell to the floor, had to be picked up lovingly and kissed. The first objects that must be rescued from a burning house are books. Of course, a book could not be used as a weapon, a shield or as an instrument of punishment.

A medieval sage suggested, "To three possessions thou shouldst look; acquire a field, a friend, a book." If a person because of reduced circumstances is forced to sell his property he should dispose first of his jewelry and estates, and if there is no alternative, with his library.

Torn or worn books and scraps of pages or documents were not destroyed but usually placed in a special synagogue receptacle or repository. Eventually these "sheimot" were buried in consecrated ground and many "mourners" accompanied the fragments to the cemetery to show their respect for the written or printed word.

It was just such a rich repository in the Ben Ezra Synagogue in Old Cairo that Professor Solomon Schechter discovered in 1896. In the attic repository of "genizah" of the synagogue were 100,000 manuscripts, in part or in whole, which members of the community had been storing for hundreds of years. Works of Jewish scholarship were unearthed from this trove of material that had been unknown until that time.

Properly understood, a book is a miracle. By means of letters — intricate symbols of communication — abstract thoughts and ideas are conveyed. Across the span of centuries, without regard to geography, the book speaks. It has the power to teach, inspire, activate and delight. It can dilate the mind, open windows on new horizons, foment revolution and sustain the troubled spirit. It is no wonder that Charles Lamb maintained that there is more reason for saying grace before one begins a new book than before a meal. For a meal and its satisfactions are soon forgotten, but the power and influence of a worthy book are unending.

Today, as in the past, books are not a luxury for Jews. They serve to familiarize us with our rich heritage and enable us to face the world armed with knowledge and self-respect. Books help us to establish lines of communication with the values, ideals, thoughts and aspirations of our people.

It is tragic to live in a complex society without knowing who you are, where you have been, and where you are going. A Jew takes to heart both the admonition addressed to Joshua: "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night," as well as the unusual inscription that was found above the library door of an ancient Egyptian ruler: "Medicines for the soul."

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Arts

French-Canadian classic play delights in Yiddish translation

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Is *Les Belles soeurs* the right kind of play to present in Yiddish?

This question, rather than the merits of the production itself, was on the minds of many in the audience at the Leah Posluns Theatre for the first-ever presentation of the classic French-Canadian play by Michel Tremblay in Toronto at the Jewish Book Fair.

The play is about a working class wife in Montreal who wins a million trading stamps in the late 60s and invites her sisters, women friends and neighbors to help her paste them in booklets. She plans to refurnish her whole house with the prizes. But those who come to help turn out to be querulous and jealous and even steal her stamps. A complex network of seamy relationships is thus revealed. In other words, it's a downer!

Dora Wasserman, the venerable director of the Montreal Yiddish Theatre Company of the Saidye Bronfman Centre, says the choice of *Les Belles Soeurs* was a correct one. Its production in Yiddish was the culmination of 15 years of collaboration with playwright Tremblay.

She told *The CJN* that in her opinion the problems of the 15 French-Canadian women in the play were not unlike those of the Jewish working class in the same period, and that Tremblay's folk art is similar to that of Sholom Aleichem and Isaac Bashevis Singer.

The Yiddish version was preformed 23 times at the Saidye Bronfman Centre in Montreal to packed houses and later for a week at a theatre in a French-Canadian section, she said.

Anniversary celebrations

But this was as part of the 350th anniversary celebrations of Montreal and as a specific example of the possibility of Jewish-French understanding, a rationale absent for its production in Toronto.

This reviewer remains only half-convinced that Canada's only permanent Yiddish theatre company, which rarely appears in Toronto, should present this play instead of one of the Yiddish classics.

This is in no way to detract from the sheer delight of the translation into Yiddish by Goldie Morgentaler in collaboration with Pierre Anctil, a non-Jew who is Morgentaler's professor of Yiddish at McGill University.

As Wasserman noted, Yiddish is a language rich in curses and it was pure enjoyment to hear the actors give the French-Canadian epithets their Yiddish equivalent, for example paskudnyak (scoundrel).

The occasional Mon Dieux and bonjour provided a French flavor. (Wasserman said the Yiddish adaptation was purposely done from the original French rather than from the English to keep it authentic.)

The direction, sets, costumes and lighting were thoroughly professional as befits this experienced company. But a few of the performers were not projecting well from the back of the stage.

Irene Rauch, as Germaine Lauzon, winner of the million stamps, and Gisele Rucker as Rose Ouimet, Germaine's shrewish sister, were effective, Rucker having the benefit of the juciest Yiddish lines.

Wasserman eliminated crosses from the set but retained the scene where the women kneel to recite the rosary. By co-incidence, on opening night at the Leah Posluns, as they kneeled, the fire alarm went off and the play was interrupted for 10 minutes until the false alarm was stopped.

The play was presented twice, to full houses.

Canada attracting filmmakers following problems in Los Angeles

TORONTO —

With all of the problems in Los Angeles, many businesses and individuals in the film industry are leaving or planning to do so and will be coming to Canada, according to Richard Borchiver, president of Paragon Entertainment Corporation of Toronto.

Speaking at the fourth in a series of breakfast meetings sponsored by the Toronto associates group of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, Borchiver gave the group a look behind the scenes of the TV and feature film industry.

A graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School, Borchiver was instrumental in the founding of Paragon with Jon Slan, currently the firm's CEO, located in Los Angeles. They had worked together at Superchannel, one of the earliest pay TV channels in Canada.

Currently working on a feature film production in partnership with Kevin Costner, Paragon has produced for TV a number of series and features including *Forever Knight, Alfred Hitchcock Presents, Dog House, Beyond Reality* and *LambChop's Play-Along*, which is now running on YTV.

Canada is an important force in international film-making, Borchiver stated. The Toronto infrastructure is very appealing — it can double for most major cities in the world, is comparatively safe and is easy to get around. Moreover, the services and crews in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver are excellent, the costs are lower than in the United States and the lower value of the Canadian dollar is helpful, he added.

Still in his 30s, Borchiver related well to the group, whose members are young men and women who work together on behalf of pediatric services at Shaare Zedek Medical Centre in Jerusalem.

David Smith, chair of the associates group, reiterated the importance of supporting the medical centre and Israel to ensure that all Jews have a strong homeland with which to identify, especially at this time of growing anti-Semitism around the world.

The group recently held a very successful trivia night. They are planning a spring event and their third annual golf tournament in July.

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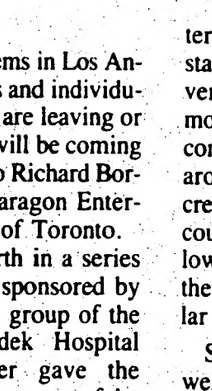

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Travel

New York resort sits on historical site

By HAROLD JACOBSON

NEW PALTZ, New York —

It is probably the only resort in the world whose founder was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize. This occurred in 1913 when former American secretary of state Elihu Root proposed the name of Albert Smiley, co-founder of Mohonk Mountain House near New Paltz, New York, for that august award.

Smiley, however, died at age 84 without knowing how close he had come to receiving world acclaim. The nomination was recognition for a remarkable series of achievements (in philanthropy, Indian affairs and arbitration conferences) which Smiley had made since he and his twin brother Alfred had first acquired a parcel of land on a promontory of the Shawangunk mountain range in upper New York State about 20 miles from New York City.

It was in 1869 that these two Quaker brothers purchased 300 acres of forest on a mountain range which featured precipitous crags, rounded outlines and quartz rock formations. The site at 2,000-feet was a crazy quilt of lichens and white stone and was surrounded by pine, hemlock and chestnut trees. In the centre of this vista was a pellucid glacial lake, 60 feet deep at its lowest point.

The Smiley brothers, realizing the advantages which the site presented, built a mountain retreat there and imbued it with an ambience of serenity which, 113 years later, still remains intact. The secret, to that longevity can be traced to Mohunk's unique setting (accessible only through a private road that winds its way up the mountain, architectural charm and a sense of repose that descends upon arriving guests. The latter comes in part from signs posted along the road leading to Mountain House which read, "Go slowly and quietly."

The Smiley brothers and their descendants have worked hard in the past 11 decades to enhance Mohonk's natural beauty by artfully cultivating acres of flowers and by constructing mountain walkways which lead hikers to peaks so high that seven different American states can be seen from them. The grounds have always been tended with consummate care, in part because of the Smiley's Quaker faith and the idea of stewardship.

Founder nominated for Nobel Peace Prize

The Mohonk Mountain House itself is a national historical site — and for good reason. Since its first incarnation in 1869, an effort has been made to marry rustic simplicity to modern efficiency. Situated at the edge of the glacial lake, the Mountain House is a turreted wood and stone wonder whose towers reach skyward like the mountains in which they are nestled.

The 250-room structure, a blend of Victorian and Edwardian styles, has broad verandas with rocking chairs and comfortable rooms with balconies looking out either on the lake or on the velvety greenness of the Shawangunk Mountains. Mohonk Mountain House has numerous public rooms and unquestionably one of the largest libraries found in any hotel in North America.

Library?

Yes, because Mohonk's philosophy tries to provide guests with an opportunity to experience the simple joys of reading, chatting, singing, walking and breathing the bracing air that the mountain breezes furnish. Instead of television sets in each guest room (no radios either), Mohonk Mountain House provides daily lectures on diverse subjects — horticulture, animal husbandry, art, psychology and music.

It would be inexact to say that the atmosphere at Mohonk is religious in any denominational sense. It is true that in the early years the Smiley brothers' Quaker heritage induced them to have alcohol banned, as was dancing. Those restrictions have been relaxed for many years and guests of all faiths now make the trek to Mohonk to escape urban entanglements and enjoy the naturally tranquilizing effects of navigating mountain trails, swimming in an invigorating ice age lake, fishing from the lakeside dock or simply sitting and meditating.

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Our program is for the able, active seniors, who will be working as volunteers, where they are needed, in schools, community centres for the elderly, playcare centres for the very young, hospitals and absorption centres.

Last year some ladies in our group (it's open to gentlemen as well) were busy making dolls, hand puppets and decorations, to be used in family therapy. Many other ladies and gentlemen helped in maintenance of schools, kindergarten and institutions. They worked in gardens, store rooms or in the reconstruction of medical aid equipment, like wheelchairs and crutches or mended blankets.

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At the same time, you will be given lectures on various current topics and you are welcome to join our ulpan classes. Evening activities are organized, at times by the group or brought in.

The highlight of the program, loved by all, is working in the forest of JNF, lovingly shaping the young trees. In this program, which has run for the last 10 winters, our volunteers always ask for "more" forest work!

This year we are running a special program for those who are looking for the homey atmosphere of the beautiful seaside resort town of Netanya. This city has a very large and well organized English-speaking community. It has also received tens of thousands of Russian and Ethiopian immigrants.

Netanya was a small village until the early '50s. Its population multiplied with the great waves of immigration of those years from North Africa and Eastern Europe. Some of those housing projects, hastily built for them, turned into problem areas that still need help. All in all, there is a lot to do!

The lucky people who go to Netanya will participate in a wonderful seminar program, based in Kibbutz Kfar Blum in the Hula Valley. Here they will learn about the archeology and history of the upper Galilee and the Hula Valley, as well as the organization and the future of the kibbutz movement.

All the groups will spend time in Jerusalem and take part in our archeological seminar which includes at least one day of excavations.

While most of our time is dedicated to working and learning, we will have the opportunity to "get away" to the Negev, to beautiful Eilat and that very special spot — the Dead Sea.

Can you think of any better way to spend your winter! Call the JNF office for further information.

TRAVEL TALK

By
LEN BUTCHER

It's always a pleasure to hear from **Emile Aufgang** of **Aufgang Travel** and last week was no exception. "C'mon over," he said, "there's some people I want you to meet."

What a guy! He must be psychic. I had been sitting, brooding in my cubbyhole of an office that overlooks a garbage dump, listening to a weather report that fell just short of suicidal. On top of that, the **Dragon Lady** was harassing me about misplacing a story that she had given me earlier in the week, which meant I would have to dig through the mess on my desk to find it. A depressing thought. But now, thanks to **Emile,** I could escape.

When I arrived, my first meeting was with **Rabbi Menachem Gopin,** who with his wife **Rachel,** will be escorting a **Mizrachi Organization of Canada Family Tour** from August 2 to August 16.

This tour, however, says **Rabbi Gopin,** will be, to the best of his knowledge, "the first Orthodox bar/bat mitzvah program to **Israel.** Besides the touring and everything else that will take place, the bar/bat mitzvah will be featured.

"The first Thursday we arrive in **Israel**, we will go down to the Kotel where the boys will put on tefillin. After they are called to the Torah, they will read a section, and then we will have a celebration."

There's more. The teenagers will then go to **Yeshivat Hakotel** which is one of the **Mizrachi**-sponsored institutions. "We have a very special arrangement with them," says **Rabbi Gopin.** "We represent them here in **Canada,** so we've made arrangements to go into their building for a little bit of kiddush. They also have a a very special place on one of the rooftops of the buildings that literally overlooks the **Temple Mount.** You feel that you can reach out and touch the gold dome. Here we will have the girls have their bat mitzvah ceremony. They will recite a dvar Torah and a special prayer that the **State of Israel** has which we will put together for them.

Following that we will go to a kiddush which is for both the boys and girls, before doing a tour of **Jerusalem** and the important sites that a bar and bat mitzvah should know. We want to make them feel that they are part of the eternity of the Jewish people now that they've reached manhood and womanhood.

"The evening will end with a gala, festive dinner at which all the bar/bat mitzvahs will participate equally through a dvar Torah. The theme will likely be **Jerusalem, the Eternal City,** and each one will have a dvar Torah tying in their feelings about **Jerusalem** and **Israel,** as well as something historic to do with Jewish law."

Rabbi Gopin says he is encouraging families to come because it is a family tour. "We've been holding these winter trips for five years, but this is the first time where we are including the bar/bat mitzvah program. **Emile Aufgang,** as always, has been very helpful and we look forward to a great trip. It's two wonderful weeks in an incomparable land and I can guarantee everyone no rain."

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I then met with **Cantor Eli Kirshblum**, who with wife **Linda**, is escorting the **14th Annual Aufgang Travel Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Tour** from July 5 to July 19.

Cantor Kirshblum told me that the tour, as the name implies, caters to families and that the focus of this trip is to allow people with children of bar/bat mitzvah age to celebrate their bar/bat mitzvah in **Israel.**

"It's a unique experience," the good cantor said, "because it takes place atop **Masada.** It affords the opportunity for familes together to have a shared experience of climbing **Masada**, celebrating the bar/bat mitzvah and enjoying the festivities that follow. That's one aspect.

"My personal orientation, because I've been to **Israel** so many times, is that I really want **Israel** to come alive for children. Very often kids go home bored because they really haven't received the kind of itinerary that caters to them. That's why we've developed an itinerary that's a fun tour, which includes horseback riding, Jeep tours, kayaking down the **Jordan River,**, climbing mountains, getting into caves, campfire dinners and a disco on the boat while crossing the **Sea of Galilee.**

"We also want to expose families to every facet of life in **Israel.** It's very important to understand what **Israel** is all about, the multicultural facets of the land. We make sure our group sees both a **Russian** and **Ethiopian** absorption centre. We take them to a Druze village and sit around somebody's home to get to know the people so they can get an appreciation of not only the Jewish community, but the non-Jewish community as well. These are the kinds of experiences we want the people on the tour to have."

Cantor Kirshblum says all the tours end by early afternoon so that everyone has time to relax, enjoy themselves and do their own things.

For more details on both these tours, call **Aufgang Travel** at (416)789-7117.

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Next week: The Beth Tikvah Congregation Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Tour and more.

Guides lure visitors to far off locales

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The latest travel guides cover a lot of ground, from North America and Central America to the Mediterranean basin.

Canada (Raincoast Books, $24.95) lets you in on a secret that overseas travellers have known for years: Canada is a great tourist destination. Authors Mark Lightbody and Tom Smallman certainly know their stuff.

Great Getaways (Random House, $16) by Betty Zyvatkauskas gives you the lowdown on weekend and day trips in southern Ontario. There is something for everyone — museums, outdoor activities, historic homes, festivals, wildlife sanctuaries, food junkets.

Hidden Pacific Northwest (Raincoast Books, $19.95) is tailor-made for travellers looking for a great escape. Authors Roger Rapoport, Melissa Rivers and John Gottberg unveil the natural and man-made wonders of British Columbia, Oregon and Washington.

Central America (Raincoast Books, $21.95) opens up a relatively unknown but fascinating region to the adventurous. From the rugged terrain of El Salvador to Mayan ruins in Guatemala, Central America is well worth exploring.

Costa Rica (Raincoast Books, $21.95) reveals a country with beautiful rainforests, towering mountains and stunning beaches. Ree Strange Sheck, who lives there, is your guide to this enchanting destination.

Be sure to pack two related books into your handbag before you take off. *The Rainforests* (Little, Brown, $29.95), which is filled with exquisite color photographs, celebrates an endangered habitat, while *Environmental Vacations* (John Muir Publications, $16.95) tells how you can join a volunteer science project that involves helping scientists in their fieldwork.

Last but not least, the Mediterranean beckons. *Undiscovered Islands of the Mediterranean* (Raincoast Books, $17.95) is a compendium on 25 islands off the coasts of France, Italy, Greece, Turkey and what used to be Yugoslavia. It's tantalizing.

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Business Outlook

Developer attracts Asian clients

By RANDI DRUZIN

Jeff Silverberg's education at Forest Hill Collegiate, the University of Western Ontario and the University of Windsor didn't include an introduction to Fung Choi.

But this ancient Chinese philosophy has played an important role in the young home builder's professional life.

Since establishing Edgeport Homes in 1987, Silverberg has built over 300 homes in developments such as Bayview Hill (located in Richmond Hill), the Bayview Hunt Club (located on the grounds of the former Langstaff Jail Farm at Bayview Avenue and Highway 7), and Stonehaven (located in Newmarket).

"Our homes sell well because they're built with the specific needs of our buyers in mind," Silverberg says.

To attract Asian buyers, Silverberg, 32, builds many of his homes so that they're in harmony with nature — according to the principles of Fung Choi. Silverberg's Fung Choi consultant advised him not to design homes in which the master bedroom is directly at the top of the stairs, or in which the stairs directly face the front door. His consultant also advised him to avoid building homes on lots with a number 'four' designation.

Jeff Silverberg

Several Edgeport clients, including those of Chinese extraction, are attracted to Edgeport Homes because they're styled like Tudor, Georgian and Victorian estates, fearturing detailed, pre-cast stone around the windows, rod-iron railing in front and interlocking stone driveways.

Silverberg also customizes kitchens and bathrooms through selected upgrade packages, which have been popular with his high-end customers.

"In the past, we've been working primarily with high-end customers," he explains, noting that most of his homes are built on 60-70-foot lots, and are priced between $300,000 and $600,000. "But we're now expanding into the low-end market (featuring townhouses, semi-detached homes and smaller homes on 30-40-foot lots). We'll survive the recession by maintaining the same high quality in a low-end market, by offering a bigger bang for the buck."

Over the past year, Silverberg has built more modestly priced homes in Brampton with Greenpark Homes, Canada's largest home builder. And, he says, he plans to get involved with other low-end housing projects (which attract first-time buyers) such as the mixed-use development scheduled to start in Aurora (at Bayview and Wellington) this spring.

Currently, Silverberg's focus is on a new model home he's building at the Bayview Hunt Club. The Dunhill 9 is "spectacular" he says, noting that its features include precast stone around the windows, angled walls in the dining rooms, a circular staircase, a deck outside the kitchen, a customized kitchen and a three-car tandem garage to name a few.

In spite of his hectic schedule, Silverberg — who completed an economics degree at Western and an MBA at Windsor before finding his niche in home development — manages to spend time with his family, which includes his wife, Paula, and their three children, Eric, Bradley and Adam.

He's also on the board of governors of Mount Sinai Hospital and Ben-Gurion University, and is involved with United Jewish Appeal, the Baycrest Hockey Draft Committee and Aish HaTorah.

Chanukah computer program

TORONTO —

Children are discovering that learning to read Hebrew can have a cash pay-off — in dinosaur dollars.

The currency, issued on your computer printer after correctly answering 10 questions, is one of the gimmicks incorporated in Dreidels and Dinosaurs, an interactive educational software program just released by Right to Left Software. Computer engineer Uri Postavsky, president of the two-year-old Toronto software firm, explains "this program uses high-resolution graphics, music and animation to reward children for correctly spelling and matching Hebrew and English words."

The 50 vivid color illustrations, depicting everything from apples that get eaten to zebras that bray, function at 11 levels. The most basic, intended for toddlers who just like to play on the keyboard like their older siblings, uses flash cards to teach picture-word association and recognition of English and Hebrew letters. At higher levels, there are three types of activities: multiple choice games challenge children to match pictures with the written word; to fill in the blanks to correctly spell words; and to select correct letters "raining down" from the top of the screen before they "hit the ground" in order to spell words.

"This program can also be used just in its English mode where it will help children in grades 1 and 2," he explains. "But in its Hebrew mode older students and even adults will be attracted by the sophisticated graphics and entertaining animation.

"Don't tell your kids they're learning Hebrew," cautions Postavsky. "It will spoil their fun!"

The user-friendly program is operated by large graphical icons clicked on by a mouse making it simple to use, even for those who cannot yet read.

Postavsky's dinosaur dollars make sense as a tangible reinforcement beyond the time spent in front of the screen. Parents can vary the program to assign a higher or lower value to the bills consistent with their child's investment to master the material.

Postavsky, 36, is a graduate of the Technion in Haifa and the University of Toronto. Other software issued by Right to Left Software include Megilla Writer — a Hebrew-English word processor with vowels, and Keyboard Melamed which teaches Hebrew keyboarding skills.

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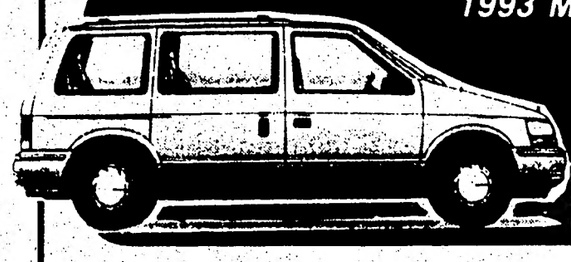
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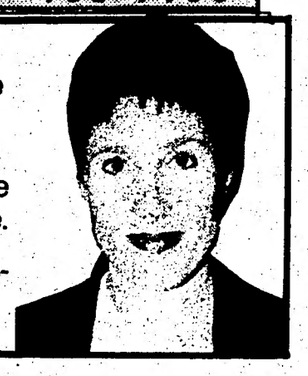

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Israeli skaters impress in Russia

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Israeli skaters seem to be making a mark in the highly competitive world of ice sports.

First it was the national hockey team, which won a three-country tournament that included Greece and Turkey.

Now it's the Israeli figure skating duo of Tamara Ruby and Kostia Kaplan. The ice-dancing pair recently finished third out of six at an international competition in the city of Ekaterinobourg, in the Ural Mountains of Russia. Reports from Russia indicate they came very close to finishing second in a competition that included skaters from Russia, China and Ukraine.

What makes their accomplishment all the more remarkable is that Ruby moved to Israel from Montreal in May and was teamed with Kaplan, Ukraine's one-time ice-dance champion, only in July.

A letter faxed from Russia by Ruby to her parents, described the site of the competition as a day-and-a-half train ride east of Moscow.

"We were the talk of the competition," she said. "Everybody was extremely impressed. We were third after the compulsorjes. It was the westminster [a slower tempo, waltz-like dance] and killian [a faster tempo dance] . . People are [still] talking about our killian."

Skating out of Metulla's Canada Centre recreation complex, constructed with money allocated by the United Israel Appeal of Canada, the two have put in lots of hours and made tremendous strides to make themselves competitive with the best Russian skaters.

In addition to their daily practices, the two perform daily exhibitions and coach youngsters on the finer points of figure skating, said Ilona Ruby, her mother.

In September, the two travelled to Novogorsk, near Moscow, to continue training under top Russian coaches at the country's Olympic training centre and to put together a mandatory five-dance routine, Ilona said.

In October, they visited Canada for two weeks and put on a skating exhibition at Toronto's York University.

They're now back in Russia continuing their training, with their sights set on a Dec. 5 competition in Sofia, Bulgaria.

From there, the pair would like to participate in the European championships in Finland next January, but it's still unclear whether Israel, which is in Asia, is eligible for a European competition, Ilona said.

Dance team

Ruby, 18, and Kaplan also hope to participate in the world championships next March, but that too is problematic — their participation has not yet been confirmed by the International Skating Union (ISU).

The ISU's okay is being awaited with some anticipation, since Olympic competitors must first have skated in the world championships.

"Tamara is determined," Ilona said. "She's very competitive and she said she wants to go to the Olympics even if she has to drive the zamboni."

When she arrived in Metulla last May, Ruby's intention was to spend only three months there, helping develop their figure skating program. But she met Kaplan and the two clicked as a dance team. "It was beshert (destined)," Ilona said. "She said it fell into her lap and there was no way she was giving it up."

Ruby, who attended United Talmud Torah school in Montreal, has been skating since she was four. She was always at the top of the Lac St. Louis region (West Montreal) in competitions and has finished high in Quebec provincial events.

Tamara usually laces up the skates six days a week, except in the summer, when she cuts back to five days. She maintains that schedule for 11 months of the year, taking only June off.

A nationally certified coach and judge, Ruby first visited Israel two years ago on a kibbutz encounter program sponsored by the Canadian Zionist Federation.

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Speaking at the dedication were the mayor of Rehovot, Michael Lapidot, whose wife Dalia, an architect, designed the rooms on a voluntary basis; Rafi Ellul, member of Knesset and mayor of Mazkeret Batia in the vicinity of the hospital, who has close ties with the UIA of Canada; hospital director Dr. Yosef Frust, and the head of the Pediatrics Department, Prof. Yigal Barak.

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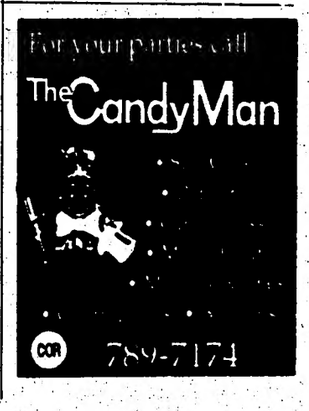

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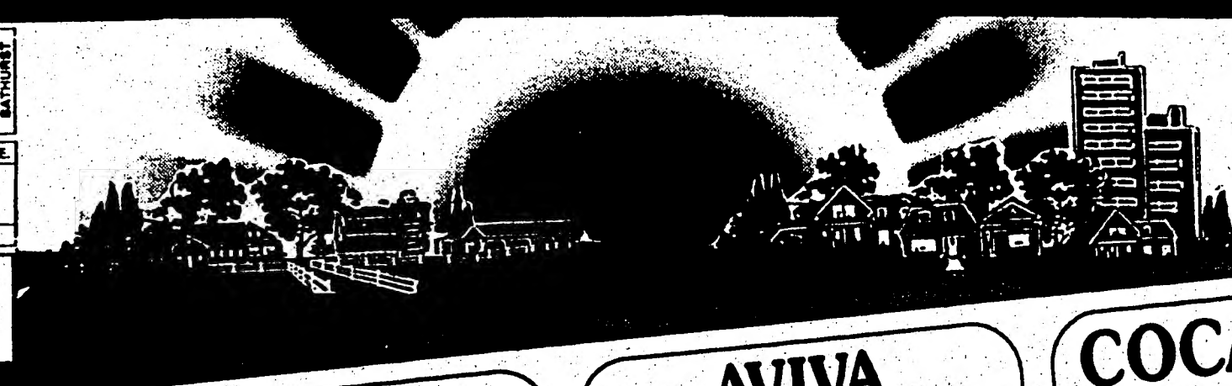

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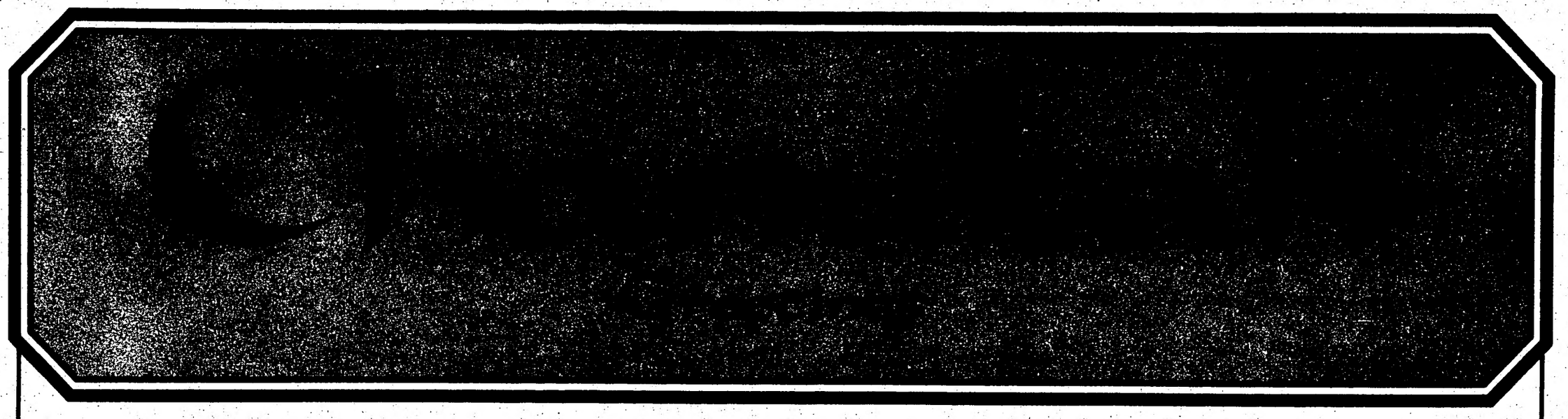


Menorah key to festival celebration

By FRED WEINBERG

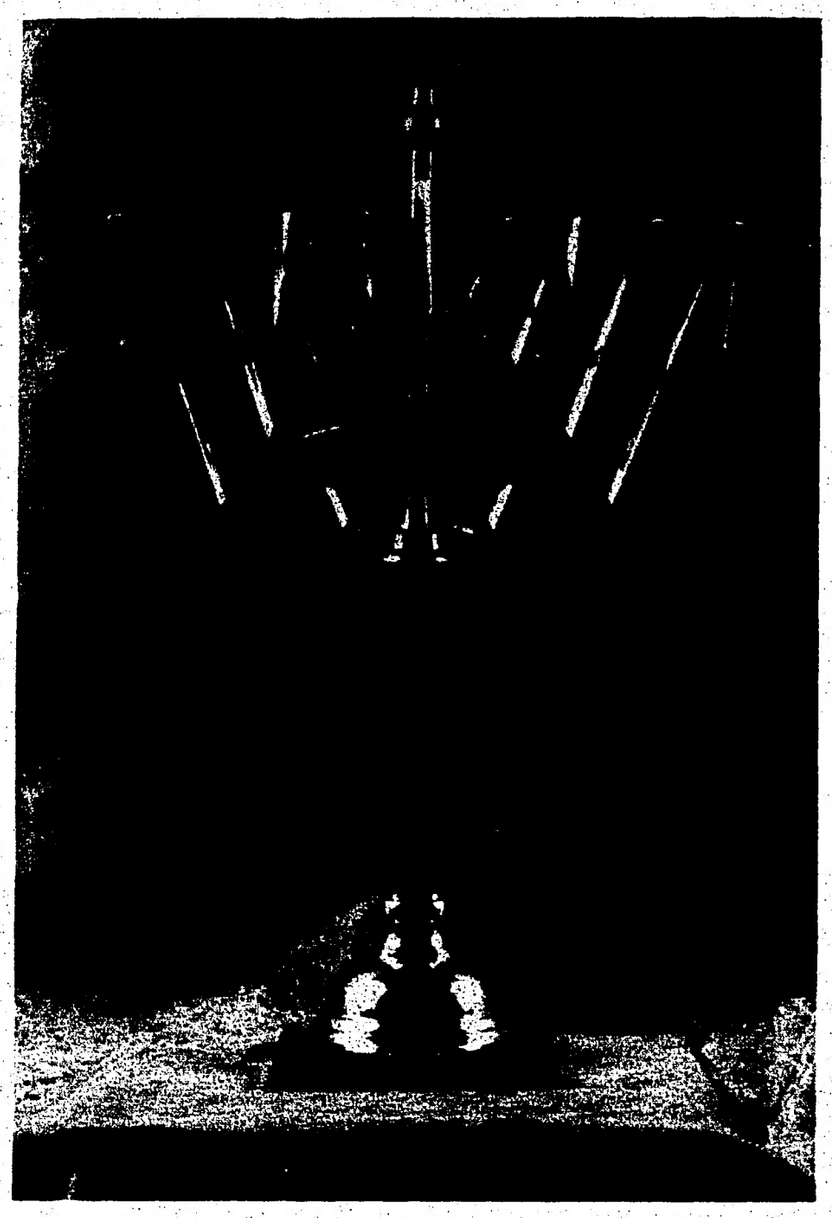
Lighting the Chanukah menorah is the only mitzvah (commandment)as well as the main feature in the celebration of the eight-day festival of Chanukah. It celebrates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem (chanukat habayit) in the year 165 BCE. It also commemorates the miracle that a one-day supply of olive oil for the Temple menorah burned eight days.

Pagan worship had been brought into the Temple by Antiochus, a Syrian monarch whose brutal decrees were designed to force the Jews to forsake their religion and offer prayers on the altar of Zeus. Mattathias and his sons and followers, the Maccabees, led the Jewish revolt, liberated the city of Jerusalem and cleansed the Temple of idols and Hellenistic worship.

The origin of the menorah symbolism lies in the vague area of prehistory. According to one interpretation, menorah may be traced back to tree worship. The tree became the symbol of life and led to the concept of gods living in trees in pagan history. In the Hebrew Bible, God reveals Himself in a lighted shrub which is not consumed, but survives to grow flowers which resemble lights. The menorah, which resembles a tree, probably originated in tree mythology.

The menorah in the sanctuary and later in the Temple, of course, had seven branches whereas the Chanukah menorah has eight plus the additional one for the servitor. This ninth light is thought of as an additional light with which to kindle the others, but actually is there to permit the use of the light for illumination, since, according to the Talmudic injunction, no practical use should be made of the chanukiah.

Over the centuries Chanukah has become a very popular holiday, much enjoyed by the whole family. Celebrants participate in special games (dreidel) and foods (latkes). The ceremonial lighting of the Chanukah lamp, both in the home and for the benefit of wayfarers in the synagogue, ensured the fabrication and preservation of the many forms of Chanukah lamps which have come down to us from earlier periods. Stylistically these lamps reflect the art and traditions of the country in which the Jews lived.



Art Deco style Chanukah menorah, Poland, 1920, [From the collection of Dr. Fred Weinberg].

The oldest known menorah is a 12th-century marble one found in Avignon, France and now housed in a Paris collection. It bears an appropriate Hebrew inscription.

Another style of lamp is based on the design of the 7-branched candelabrum in the Temple and is frequently made of brass or silver. It comes in various sizes depending on whether it is for home or synagogue use.

Women are also encouraged to kindle Chanukah lights. One legend explaining this is connected to the heroic deed of the Jewish heroine Judith. She gained renown by beheading Holofernes, another oppressor of the Jews. Judith is depicted on one 17th-century Italian Chanukah lamp with her sword raised in her right hand, holding the severed head with the other.

In Toronto, we are fortunate to have available to us an important collection of close to 50 Chanukah lamps. These are part of the large legacy of antique Judaica left to Beth Tzedec Congregation by the late renowned Jewish historian, Dr. Cecil Roth. It was his practice to add at least one Chanukah menorah to his collection each year. In view of the tragic history of the recent Jewish past, these ritual objects that grew out of hiddur mitzvah — the urge to beautify religious observance — are all the more appreciated.

Most of the lamps in the collection have a back panel and are made of various metals: brass, copper, silver or pewter. The motifs vary with the country of origin and whether they are of Sephardi or Ashkenazi tradition. Renaissance Italian Chanukah lamps reflect the presence of highly skilled Jewish artisans who made ritual objects for the Spanish and Portuguese Jewish elite as well as for the church and monarchy. These craftsmen created very beautiful, though perhaps overly ornate, baroque cast bronze menorahs decorated with dolphins, mermaids, masks and biblical figures.

Some Italian lamps even had the coat of arms or hat symbolic of the rank of cardinal. These were made as gifts for favors extended the Jews by princes of the church. In the Beth Tzedec collection is a 16th-century bronze gilt Chanukah menorah with the coat of arms of Ottavio Oaravicini, created cardinal in 1591 by Pope Gregory XIII.

It is rare to find a Polish or Russian chanukiah as early as this because of the horrendous loss of life and possessions as a result of the many pogroms of East European Jewry, as in the Chmielnicki massacre during the Cossack Rebellion of 1648-49. Lamps from 1650 onwards from Eastern Europe, and especially from Poland, incoporated animals on the back panel. These symbols were frequently used in Jewish folk art echoing a second talmudic passage which exhorts the Jew to "be strong as a leopard, light as an eagle, swift as a stag, and heroic as a lion to perform the will of your Father in heaven."

Jewish craftsmen in Poland, Lithuania, and the Ukraine were skilful goldsmiths and metalworkers despite difficulties created by their gentile competitors. Jewish artisans formed guilds which required of their members that they observe Jewish law and participate in a regular Torah study circle.

At varying times in Jewish history the Chanukah lamp was placed on the outside of the door or on the window sill inside. However, this ritual fell into disuse because it was hazardous and could provoke anti-Semitic acts. In Jerusalem today, the old custom still prevails of kindling the Chanukah lights in the open just outside the front door of the house.

Ever since the establishment of the state of Israel, large electric Chanukah menorahs are kindled on top of major public buildings, kibbutz water towers and high places such as Mount Zion. These reflect the feelings of the al Hanissim prayers, recited during the eight days of Chanukah, proclaiming how once again as in the days of the Maccabees 2,000 years ago, "the strong were delivered into the hands of the weak, the many into the hands of the few."

Chanukah is also very much a children's fun celebration and it is customary to give presents and Chanukah "gelt" to the children. The timing of the holiday, which occurs on the 25th day of the Jewish Kislev, and its proximity to the 25th day of December as happens this year, perhaps has helped Jewish children throughout the world counterbalance the cultural impact of Christmas with its gift giving and general festive atmosphere.

Chanukah is a joyous festival for the whole family as in the traditional Yiddish song:

Chanukah, Chanukah, a yom tov a shainer
a lichtiger, a frailicher
nit do noch a zainer.

A time to remember spiritual battles

By LEILA SPEISMAN

I think that Chanukah is just about my favorite Jewish holiday.

Oh, Sukkot is pretty, and Rosh Hashanah is nostalgic, and Purim is pretty wild around my neighborhood. My feelings about Pesach are well known to anyone with even a nodding acquaintance with me — virtually entirely hostile.

But Chanukah is joy.

The foods are the comfort foods of winter, sweet and oily, you are not pressured to dodge around holy days when work is restricted, the kids look forward to parties, seeing family and presents, and there is a general feeling of enthusiasm around the house.

As several of the articles in this supplement note, Chanukah is a time when we remember not only military victories over our oppressors, but spiritual ones as well. And the spiritual ones can be much harder to fight.

A few weeks ago, Toronto lost one of its well-known pediatricians, Dr. Robert Disenhouse. He cared for our children from the beginning, and his loss leaves a gaping hole in the fabric of our lives.

Oh sure, he was a skilled and dedicated doctor, up on the latest technologies and techniques, expert in dealing with medical conundrums.

Other doctors share those qualities, what we might compare to military tactics.

But what was special about Dr. Disenhouse was that other part of the physician's role — that indescribable emotional and spiritual caring that one never forgets, no matter how much time passes.

One of my daughters became very ill after birth, so ill that she had to stay in the hospital for nearly a full year. So ill that at times we despaired that she would ever come home.

For that full year, Dr. Disenhouse dropped in to see her regularly, even though, in accordance with hospital protocol, he did not treat her there. He was always available for discussion, advice, explanation.

And for that full year, every Friday afternoon he would call us.

Sometimes it would be to report on her progress. Often it would be just to touch base with us, to make sure we were coping, to offer some comfort in a terrifying time.

He would slough off praise and thanks, asserting that they rightfully belonged not to him but to G-d.

During the difficult years after she came home, he was still there for her and for us, making sure she had the special care and testing she needed, always willing to listen to our fears.

He always treated my husband and me, and, even more rare, our children, with respect, and an awareness of their dignity.

The children are older now, and there are other excellent doctors around. But there are few with his compassion and empathy.

When my husband and I had children, we decided that each of us would light our own menorah. One menorah we bought before we were married, our first purchase for our new life together. One was a wedding present, and three were bought especially for the children. A sixth belonged to my grandfather, and is there, well, just because.

During the last days of Chanukah, the room is ablaze with light. I always remind my daughters that it was the women who were most steadfast in refusing to buckle under to the forces of assimilation, and that it is their responsibility to follow in those footsteps.

And looking at those candles, pushing back the onset of the winter darkness, and watching the family enjoying each other's company, this year I will think of Dr. Disenhouse too, who was always conscious of the passage from Zechariah, read on Shabbat Chanukah: "Not by might and not by power, but by my spirit, says the L-rd of Hosts."

May the spirit of the Chanukah candles inspire all of us this season.

Chanukah Greetings

Maccabees were more than just Jewish heros

By RABBI BERNARD S. RASKAS

Almost all Jews know that Chanukah centres about the Maccabees — more correctly, the Hasmoneans — who saved Judaism during the Selucid Syrian Greek times. However, few are aware that the Maccabees had meaning for non-Jews as well, and even in Jewish circles they and their descendants engendered great controversy.

To the Christians, according to the great scholar, Elias Bickerman, the Maccabees "became the prototypes of holy warriors" as he writes in his study entitled *The Maccabees*. St. Augustine writes, "Let men learn from them how to die for the truth." In the Eastern Church, August first is dedicated to "The Sainted Maccabees."

The *Encyclopedia Britannica* explains that the origin of the term macabre, meaning grisly, grim, concerned with death, comes from the concept of danse macabre, dance of death. This, in turn, is based on the Latin Machabaeorum chora, a medieval morality play depicting the martyrdom of the Maccabees. Handel composed an oratorio entitled *Judas Maccabeus*.

Israelis today think of "Maccabee" in conjunction with the Tel Aviv Maccabee football team, as they joyously clink glasses of Maccabee beer when their team wins.

The very essential historical basis of Chanukah is that when the Syrian government led by Antiochus forbade the daily sacrifices in the Temple, the observance of Shabbat and the rite of circumcision, many realized it was the death knell of Judaism. Mattathias, the Hasmonean and his five sons, who were rural priests, put together a coalition that had a successful rebellion and restored Jewish life. Their rallying cry and goal was kanoo latorah, "Fight zealously for the Torah."

But, like all zealotry which is based on righteous feeling, it sometimes runs to excess. The Maccabees compelled the observance of the Torah by force, circumcising as many newborn infants as could be found. While they did succeed in re-establishing the Temple observances, as the years passed they surrounded themselves with mercenary troops and hired bodyguards. Their descendants assumed Greek names and assimilated to Hellenism, the very thing their ancestors had fought against and died. The Hasmonean dynasty became corrupt, arrogant and repressive, making a mockery of the Maccabean victory.

This presented the early rabbis with a serious dilemma. How could one celebrate Chanukah without glorifying the Maccabees and thereby giving tacit acceptance and approval to their hated Hasmonean descendants? Since the rabbis were at the time pushing a non-violent strategy for survival under Roman rule, they knew full well that national revolt would lead to national suicide, and they did not want to stress the Maccabean example.

Therefore, the rabbis shifted the focus of the celebration from the flawed leaders of Judea to the God of the Jews, the author of all victories. Instead of the eight-day celebration marking the original delayed observance of the festival of Sukkot (Tabernacles), the legend of the small jar of oil that burned for eight days became the "miracle" (Shabbat 21b).

The Talmud does not mention Mattathias the Hasmonean or Judah Maccabee. The Books of the Maccabees were not included in the canon, but assigned to the Apocrypha (sefarim genuzim), "books to be put aside." The haftorah, prophet reading, for the Shabbat that occurs during Chanukah is taken from the prophet Zechariah (4:6): "Not by might, not by power, but by My spirit says the Lord of Hosts."

Yet, in a balanced view there was a body of religious and moral values for which the Maccabees fought justifiably. In the centuries of struggle between Judaism and Hellenism, the Jews, almost alone in the world, had a sense of dignity of the life of each human being. The essence of the Jewish tradition taught that men and women were created out of clay and contain a spark of the Divine, and each person had infinite moral significance. Jews were able to extrapolate the best elements of Greek culture, reject its negative features and form a religion whose very centre was built on freedom and tzedakah.

In modern times the remembrance of the Maccabees was of tremendous inspiration to the Zionist movement, which resulted in the establishment of the State of Israel. Fiery Zionist speeches and literature complete with constant references to the Maccabees rekindled the Jew to fight to reestablish the ancient homeland where Jews could find refuge and rebuild the Jewish heritage. Zionism, like the original Maccabees, rescued the Jewish people from powerlessness.

Of course, it should be recalled that if the original Hasmoneans had failed and the Jews had been swallowed up by the forces of Hellenism, as other groups were, there would have been no Christian history and no Moslem Id ad-Fitr and Id-Adha.

The reason that so much emphasis generally is placed on the Chanukah festival is that it commemorates the first successful revolt in history on behalf of religious liberty. The spirit of Chanukah animates the Magna Carta and the Declaration of the Rights of a Man, and there is parallel to the Maccabean revolt in the American Declaration of Independence. For without the willingness of early Jews to fight for their religious rights, these great movements on behalf of human rights might never have been born.

A congregant once sent his rabbi a bottle of apple brandy for Chanukah. The Rabbi was pleased and thought an appropriate way to respond. The rabbi sent the following note: "Thank you for the apples and the spirit in which they were given."

It is the spirit of Chanukah that can inspire contemporary Jews to a rebirth of Judaism. As Jews now enter a period of religious and cultural diversity, it is the Maccabean determination to struggle and fight for Jewish survival that can guide us. The open society is the great challenge of Judaism today. It is the task of all Jews to deal with new concepts, extrapolate the best, reject the worst, and combine it with the greatness of Jewish experience. As Rabbi Abraham Issac Kook once said, "The old must be sanctified and the new must become sacred." Is this not the meaning of Chanukah — rededication?

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Israel receives grant to study Japanese algae

Scientists from an Israeli desert institute have received a three-year Japanese government research grant to study algae that grow in Toyoma Province in northern Japan — in the snow. The algae experts from Ben-Gurion University will examine the physiology of the algae, which tint the snow vivid hues of green, yellow, and red.

The choice of researchers is not as strange as it sounds, explains BGU's Avigad Vonshak. There are similarities between growth habitats in the desert and in the snow, particularly with regard to light stress (photoinhibition). In both cases, the algae develop resistance mechanisms to light stress, and the comparison between these mechanisms should prove of great interest.

Particularly important is the study of the natural products accumulated in the algae during their acclimation to strong light, which include unique carotenoid pigments. There is a worldwide demand for these pigments as coloring agents in the food and cosmetic industries.

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May the Jewish Community celebrate this Festival of Lights in a spirit of understanding, tolerance and freedom.

Chag Sameach.

Bob Rae

Underground passages used by Jewish fighters

Archeologists have discovered a network of underground passages — apparantly used as a refuge by Jewish fighters and their families during battles against the Romans (66-70 CE) — beneath an Arab village in the western Galilee.

The hiding place was discovered by accident, underneath the remains of a Crusader-period structure in Ibillin village near Shafaram.

The local council began, without permission, to demolish the ruins of the Crusader building to make way for a proposed new town hall.

The Antiquities went to the site initially to conduct a rescue excavation of the ruins of the Crusader building and in the process of digging found the underground complex, three metres below the rock on which the Crusader fort was erected.

The excavations revealed a complex comprising a hall carved out of the rock, leaving a central pillar to support the roof, living quarters, several large water systems and secret passages.

In the hall, the archeologists discovered two iron chisels, storage jars, pots, bowls and other cooking utensils. They also found vessels, apparently for religious purposes, that had been carved from stone to maintain their ritual purity.

The ritual utensils, typical of the Second Temple period, were the first of their kind to have been discovered in the Galilee. They also helped date the underground network to the period of the great rebellion against Roman occupation, which failed and culminated in the destruction of the Temple.

Major find

The excavations, which lasted six months, were directed by Abdallah Mukahi on behalf of the Antiquities Authority, with Arab residents of Ibillin and other villages working on the dig.

Dr. Zvi Gal, regional director of the Antiquities Authority, described the discovery of the ancient Jewish hiding place as a major find. "I can say almost with certitude that the hill on which Ibillin stands is riddled with underground networks," he told reporters, noting they had found another network of passages about 455 metres.

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The Jews of Tzipori surrendered without a fight, handing over the keys of their city to the Romans. But in other towns the Jews fought back. In Yodfat, for example, there was a tremendous battle between Jewish fighters and the battle-hardened legions that ended in defeat for the small, besieged town.

Ibillin is mentioned in Talmudic sources as having been a Jewish village, then known as Eblaime, although the fate of the residents is not known from any surviving historical documents. **(JPFS)**

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A young member of the newly reopened Jewish Maccabi Sports Club in Warsaw lights a candle to celebrate the festival of Chanukah and the rekindling of Jewish tradition in Poland, once home to Europe's biggest Jewish community. [RNS Photo/Reuters]

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This is really the season to curl up with good books

By LEILA SPEISMAN

Typical winter weather that makes you want to curl up with a book in front of a fire, preferably with a hot drink, hasn't really hit yet. But there are enough good books this season to make you curl up anyway. Even with a cold drink.

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Seems hard to believe, but this is the 25th anniversary of the publication of Chaim Potok's arguably best novel *The Chosen*. Publisher Alfred Knopf is issuing a special anniverary edition to celebrate.

The gripping and moving story of the relationship between Danny, the brilliant, but tormented scion of a chassidic dynasty and the more worldly-Orthodox Reuven loses none of its force over the years.

Sotah, by Naomi Ragen (Crown, 1992) is another novel of searching. This time, a young woman living in an ultra-Orthdoox community in Jerusalem fights her own fascination with the outside world.

In an incomparably cruel turn of events, she is accused of adultery, and, given no chance to prove her innocence or explain matters to her family, she is virtually kidnapped and shipped to the United States to be a maid to an acculturated Jewish family.

In her new life, she is forced to examine her beliefs, and work out what is really important to her.

The Hour of the Milk is No Longer White by Ronald Isaac Landau, (Landau & Associates, 1992,) is ostensibly about Karl Becker, an East Tennessee cattle rancher. Believing that his own country is succumbing to racism and immorality, he searches for a better way in Israel.

In fact, the book is a combination of stream-of-consciousness, political commentary and philosophical musings that, almost against the reader's will, makes the book impossible to put down.

McGill-Queen's University Press has issued a retrospective of the consummate bad-boy Jewish Canadian poet Irving Layton, entitled *Fornalutx; Selected Poems, 1928-1990.*

There is an excellent selection of Layton's works that well illustrate his joie de vivre, his disgust for society's inconsistencies, and the irresistable pull of his Jewish roots. The introduction by McGill's Brian Trahearne is especially good.

When you really want something light and fun to read, try *Hello, I Must be Going; Groucho and his Friends*, by Charlotte Chandler (Citadel Press edition, 1992, originally published Doubleday, 1978).

It is a delightful collection of anecdotes, reminisences and stories that not only give a portrait of a genuine Hollywood comedic legend, but of Hollywood life and lore as well.

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So you think you know about bagels? Wait until you read *The Bagel Bible*, by (you read it right) Marilyn and Tom Bagel (Globe Pequot, 1992).

This is a collection of bagel information and misinformation, recipes (from chicken-fried bagels to chili bagels to sugarplum bagels, which are covered with a concoction of plum jam, almonds and icing sugar) to bagel preferences of celebrities.

It's nice to know that international personalities like Paloma Picasso-Lopez appreciate the artistic merit of this universal favorite.

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With the passage of time, survivors of the hell that was World War II Europe have begun to write not only about their tormented years under Hitler, but also the time before.

One of the better efforts is *A Jewish Boyhood in Poland; Remembering Kolbuszowa* by Norman Salsitz, as told to Richard Skolnik (Syracuse University Press, 1992).

The town of 4,000 souls, half of whom were Jews, comes alive as we read about school life, home discipline, Zionism, holiday observance, marriage negotiations, relations with Polish neighbors.

Especially poignant is the anecdote of Norman as a young boy eagerly planting peach pits in an effort to grow that luscious, although unfamiliar, fruit in the yard of his house.

And the family would have had peaches, too — except that the Nazis came and took away both the house and the family.

Strangers always; a Jewish family in wartime Shanghai by Rena Krasno (Pacific View Press, 1992) describes what to many of us is an exotic Jewish community, that of Shanghai, China, before and during the Japanese occupation.

Jews occupied a peculiar place, not quite the European establishment, certainly not native, trying to keep friends with everyone, but ultimately finding themselves apart.

Amahs, teas and pidgen English give way to severe rationing and ghettos, although the Japanese avoided the excesses Hitler tried to persuade them to adopt.

An interesting example of the "Everything you always wanted to know" genre of books, is Rabbi Sidney Markowitz' *What you should know about Jewish religion, history, ethics & culture* (Citadel Press, 1992 reprinting).

Topics covered include women in Jewish history, brief sketches of Jewish personalities throughout history, and the organization of the Jewish tribes in ancient times. Markowitz also discusses Jewish history in different countries.

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Ruth Wisse, former *CJN* columnist, has written a highly readable and convincing indictment of Jews' expectations that the non-Jewish world will reciprocate Jewish embracing of liberal causes. *If I am not for Myself...the Liberal Betrayal of the Jews* (Free Press, 1992).

She doesn't neglect the sometimes bitter divisions between Israelis, divisions she considers dangerous to the welfare of the state and people.

A timely appearance on the literary scene is *American Jews and the Separationist Faith* (Ethics and Public Policy Centre, 1992). Editor David Dalin has put together articles debating religion in public life by such diverse and interesting writers as Milton Himmelfarb, David Novak, Cynthia Ozick, Jonathan Sarna and Ruth Wisse.

Jack Batten, who has enjoyed a writing career encompassing works on law and detective fiction, has produced an interesting account of the University of Toronto Law School's graduating class of 1975, titled, not surprisingly, *The Class of '75; life after law school* (Macmillan, 1992).

He interviewed many of his classmates, and even some professors, discovering how this bunch of talented people are affecting (or not) their society.

In the process, Batten analyses the school's curriculum and methods — not always favorably, but always with a kind of wry affection.

To end (more or less) where this series of reviews started, we come to a sociological study of the segment of the community that appears in Potok's works: *Hasidic People; a place in the new world* by Jerome Mintz (Harvard University Press, 1992.

Concentrating largely (although not exclusively) on the Lubavitch and Satmar communities, Mintz gives a fascinating account of the chassidic way of life, their attitudes towards Jews of other courts, and their outlook on and relations with the non-chassidic and secular worlds.

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Sea of Galilee's shores provide insight into history

Due to exceptionally heavy rains, the Sea of Galilee filled literally to overflowing in the winter of 1991-1992. But for three consecutive years prior to that, Israel had suffered from severe drought. The water level in this, the country's only freshwater lake and major source of drinking water, had receded to a dangerously low level.

Archeologist Danny Nadel, of the Stekelis Museum of Prehistory in Haifa and the Israel Antiquities Authority, took advantage of the drought to do an intensive survey along the new shoreline. He subsequently identified forty sites that had been occupied during various prehistoric and historical periods, when the lake was much smaller.

Excavations at the most promising site began in the fall of 1989 and continued for three seasons. Ohalo II, as it is called, lies in the Jordan Valley, south of Tiberias. It has been dated to 19,000 years ago, not long after the Sea of Galilee was formed.

Botanists and zoologists have been studying the organic material obtained by sifting debris from the excavations. From this, they deduce that nomads occupied the site for several months at a time, returning to it year after year.

Sites from this period rarely have any architectural remains, but in Ohalo II archeologists discovered the foundations of round huts with evidence of several phases of occupation. Inside, large stone mortars and broken basalt bowls were discovered, along with flint scrapers and bone awls. Beads of Mediterranean sea shells were also found, indicating that these people either travelled the forty kilometres to the sea or exchanged gifts with occupants of the coastal plain.

Open forest

The countryside around Ohalo II consisted of open forest and grassland, much like it is today. These hunter-gatherers enjoyed a varied diet of birds, mice, reptiles, turtles, hares, foxes, gazelles, and fallow deer, as well as over thirty species of plants, including acorns, pistachio nuts, and crab apples. They also gathered wild wheat and barley, and the seeds found at Ohalo II are the earliest examples of these two grains ever found in excavations.

Thousands of fish vertebrae were also found. "We know fish played an important part in their diet," says Nadel. "But these fish haven't been identified as of yet, because it is difficult to find an expert on freshwater Middle Eastern fish. There's a lot of information here which needs to be properly deciphered."

Several wide, shallow refuse pits held animal bones, carbonized seeds, and other debris. Some contained a lot of fish bones and others none at all. Nadel points out that things weren't spread out randomly in the seasonal camp, adding, "I can't understand why they left this 'paradise,' with its moderate climate, abundant water supply, and sources of food available all year round."

The complete skeleton of one of the inhabitants of Ohalo II was found buried, lying on his back with his hands crossed over his chest and his legs flexed to his left side. He was 1.73 metres tall and died at about the age of 35, evidently from infection caused by a festering chest wound. This is the second complete skeleton found from this period, the other being that of a woman discovered at nearby excavations.

At the end of last season, the entire site was covered with black plastic and heavy stones were placed on top. Then came the rains, and Ohalo II now lies four metres underwater.

(Jerusalem Dateline)

Skeleton of an inhabitant of Ohalo II found in the Sea of Galilee in Israel

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Israel's mineral-rich Dead Sea is the site of a booming tourist health industry. Rheumatics and sufferers of skin diseases such as psoriasis and eczema find relief in the sea or in the waters of the hot sulphur springs on its shores. Minerals in the water and in the black mud have also proven to have a softening effect on the skin and a cosmetics industry based on the Dead Sea minerals has developed in Israel.

Marital status affects everything

By RABBI BENJAMIN HECHT

Our personal happiness, the values we live by, our lifestyles, our relationship with our children, the values of the next generation, are all greatly affected by our marital situation. It is a meshing of two people, two worlds, and we must determine and understand what it must offer, what it can and cannot offer.

As Jews, any investigation of a topic of this nature demands that we look at our tradition, turn to the Torah to see its guidelines and advice in respect to this subject. Fortunately, many authors and organizations have responded to the interest in this topic and have presented materials and programs on the Jewish view of love and marriage. Each one describes what they see as *the* Torah view of this subject, we may begin to wonder — are we really able to define a singular statement of Jewish philosophy on this subject?

In the opening book of Bereishit (Genesis), we are introduced to two models for choosing a spouse, each with their underlying implications of how we are to view marriage, its purpose and its fulfilment. The first model is Isaac, and would seem to be an example for the rational choice of spouse even to the extent of allowing others to arrange the choice.

Isaac did not choose Rebecca; it was Abraham's trusted servant, Eliezer, who made the selection, rationally, searching for a woman with exceptional character traits and a level of saintliness. While it is true that Eliezer requested G-d's assistance in making the choice, the Isaac model stands for the determination of a spouse based upon a thorough analysis of what you wish for, or should wish for in a mate, and then searching for someone who best meets these standards. Just as Eliezer sought a certain type of woman for Isaac and, therefore, chose Rebecca; so, it would appear, we should also set a realistic goal, with the help of Torah, of what we wish in a spouse and choose, or even have others, with more expertise, choose based on these standards.

We, also, however, encountered within this first book of the Bible, the romantic model of Jacob and Rachel. The decision Jacob makes to marry Rachel is a personal one, made by him alone because of his powerful feeling of love for her. Jacob exemplifies for us that the decision to marry someone must be based on love, on a powerful, unique bond that is felt between two people. Jacob chose Rachel because she was special to him and so, it would seem, we should choose our spouse because of the romantic connection that only exists with that special person.

These are not the only models found within Torah. Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz considers the Jacob-Leah model of lasting importance, a model of no choice but rather of the hand of G-d. We also, in the vastness of the literature of our Bible, encounter the model of David and Batsheva and the marriage that is the result of passion. All, obviously, represent different views of marriage and the dynamics of this relationship. Yet, they are all marriages of great significance, between individuals of the highest level of our faith and all, it would seem, represent accomplishment in this field albeit each represents a distinctly different nature.

Marriage is the most unique and individualistic experience that a person will enter into. There are no two people alike and there are no two relationships that are simular. For us to believe that the Torah has a monolithic, simplistic guide for success in marriage, that the Torah ignores the uniqueness of each individual and the rare and special beauty that is embodied in every loving relationship, is to ignore the ability of the Torah to be a true guide to individuals, to each of us as separate, special human beings.

The Torah, by declaring that there are different paths to success in love and marriage (and different definitions of success in love and marriage and different definitions of success), seems to be leaving it to us to find within ourselves our own way. Study outside of ourselves would seem to be irrelevant.

In acuality the opposite is true. In recognizing the different possibilities, we open our eyes. Paradoxically, by seeing the cases of others, we challenge ourselves and our preconceived notions. By viewing the other, we attempt to truly see ourself.

On one hand we must find our own unique form for love and marriage. On the other hand, in seeing another's perception of this concept, we can learn for ourselves.

It is most interesting to note that there is romance in the Isaac story when Rebecca and Isaac first meet; and that there is rationalism in the Jacob story for Jacob is instructed by his parents to choose a wife from the family of Lavan. From the Torah the romantic can learn of the rational and vice versa.

There is a vast and mighty treasure of truth within Torah regarding the subject of love and marriage. There is much to learn from the various opinions that are presented on this subject and we have a responsibility and duty to integrate Torah thoughts into our lives. The truest form of acceptance comes with intelligent choice — not with the lack of choice.

The Torah view of love and marriage is: that we must observe the many factors involved and, through throrough study, delineate our own unique model.

(Rabbi Hecht is founding director of NISHMA, an international Torah study network base in Toronto and New York.)

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Bedouin helps to improve life for his people

By LESLIE KATZ
(Northern California Jewish Bulletin)

As a young boy, Ismael Abu Saad would trek seven miles through the desert to school each day, then seven more home. Some winters, the air turned so bitter his frozen fingers could barely grip his pencil.

"It was a struggle," he says simply.

Those days seem far away now as the 33-year-old, the first Bedouin ever to receive a PhD in Israel, sits in his tiny office at Beersheva's Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

Dressed in a bright green warmup jacket, blue jeans and white Reeboks, he looks more like a streetwise Brooklyn kid than someone born and raised in a one-room desert tent.

Though his modern appearance seems to belie it, Abu Saad is one of the nomadic or semi-nomadic Arab herders who inhabit the deserts of the Middle East.

His desert past has everything to do with his life today.

The soft-spoken Abu Saad, who holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Ben-Gurion University and a doctorate in education from the University of Minnesota, is now a research fellow at BGU's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Social Ecology. There he is working to develop educational programs for the country's Bedouins, who face a staggering high school dropout rate of some 75 percent.

More than 120,000 Bedouins live in Israel, concentrated in the northern Galilee and the southern Negev desert, where Abu Saad grew up. His research focuses on that area.

Of an estimated 80,000 Negev Bedouins, 45,000 still live in isolated communities with inadequate educational facilities. Tribal schools often consist of only one teacher and one classroom.

Because Bedouins often rely on their children, particularly daughters, to help in the home, some children never attend school. Of those who do, few complete high school. Even fewer pursue higher studies.

Even with family support, Abu Saad achieved his education against inarguably stacked odds. In addition to the journeys to and from school, the tent in which he and his 10 siblings were raised had no running water, radio or telephone.

With no electricity to illuminate his homework at night, he studied by the dim light of a gasoline lamp. "They don't give a bright light," he says. "But they're better than a candle."

In Abu Saad's eyes, the enhancement of Bedouin education needs to involve a two-track approach. School facilities must be improved, he says, and Bedouin communal leaders and parents, many uneducated themselves, encouraged to take a more active role in their children's education.

His model includes exposing children to basic reading, writing and language skills, enhanced by career counseling and after-school activities.

Israel's Bedouins have faced major changes since the establishment of the Jewish state in 1948. At that time, the Israeli government in its attempt to settle the land intervened in Bedouin spatial organization, restricting Bedouin mobility and relocating many to government-sponsored townships.

The townships, of which there are now seven in all, meant that for the first time, Bedouins had electricity, running water and schools.

While outsiders might argue that their living conditions are improved, many Bedouins have had marked difficulty adjusting to their new lives, both psychologically and financially.

For example, the move from goatskin tents to houses has meant expenses once unheard of for these agrarian wanderers.

The dramatic changes also have translated in to social problems previously unknown to Israel Bedouins. With the loss of independence and self-esteem, the social ills of alcoholism, drug abuse and domestic violence have become increasingly commonplace, according to Salman El Assam.

A weekday afternoon visit to Rahat illustrates that some yearn for the days before the changes. Many Bedouin families have erected traditional tents on the small plots of land behind their huts.

Often, explains El Assam, it is the older Bedouins, longing for the way of life they and their predecessors once knew, who pass their days in the tents.

"They want to drink their coffee, to break their bread," he says. "They want the fire, the tent, the agriculture, the land."

Calcitriol found critical to reduce osteoporosis

The bones of women between the ages of 45 and 60 show a dramatic decrease in calcitriol, the vitamin D metabolite required for normal bone function, according to a new study conducted by Israeli scientists. The investigation, which did not find any simular phenomenon in males, sheds light on one of the causes of osteoporosis, the debilitating bone condition that affects one in three women over the age of 60. The findings add to the growing body evidence that calcitriol is a key element in both the cause and cure of osteoporosis.

Calcitriol — or 1,25-dihydroxy-vitamin D_3 — is a vitamin-D derivative formed by the kidneys that plays a central role in regulating calcium absorption. It is known that, with the advent of menopause, calcium absorption declines in women, leading in extreme cases to osteoporosis. However, past studies have found no significant decline in the concentration of calcitriol in the blood of older women, nor, for that matter, any significant difference between the levels in men and women.

The research conducted by Shmuel Edelstein of the Weizmann Institute is the first to measure calcitriol in bone. This was done by using small bone fragments discarded during routine orthopedic operations on 43 oherwise healthy men and women of various ages. Edelstein also measured blood levels of calcitriol in the same subjects in order to compare them with the bone levels. He found that while the blood levels of calcitriol remained relatively stable among subjects of different ages, the bone levels dropped by over 50 percent in women over the age of 45.

This constitutes the first evidence that blood levels of this vital calsium regulator do not acurately reflect what is occurring in the bones. The findings suggest that, in menopausal women, calcitriol may be produced by the kidneys in normal quantities and transported by the blood, but that it is not absorbed as it should be by the bone.

(Jerusalem Dateline)

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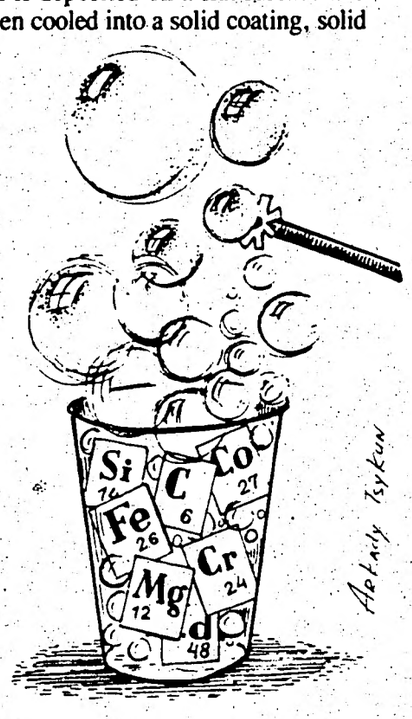
Soap bubbles used in studies

Studies on seemingly frivolous soap-bubble arrays, being carried out by Joel Stavans of Israel's Weizmann Institute, have shed light on the properties of a wide range of systems with cellular structures, including magnetic recording films, silicon wafers, ceramics, foams, and polycrystalline metals and alloys.

When a thin film of liquefied metal is deposited on a flat surface and then cooled into a solid coating, solid regions with difficult crystallographical orientations are formed in polygonal patterns very similar to those present in soap-bubble arrays. At sufficiently high temperatures, the average size of these regions grows with time in a manner resembling the growth of soap-bubble arrays. Control of this growth is instrumental in determining the properties of technologically useful cellular-structured materials, such as the strength of an alloy, the electronic noise in an integrated curcuit chip, and the mechanical resilience of foams.



As reported in a recent issue of *Nature*, Stavan's experiments show that there are two stages in the evolution of a bubble array: transient states whose evolution depends on initial conditions, and long-term whose statistical properties, such as area and number of sides, are independent of time and initial conditions. These same statistical properties have also been found in other cellular systems, despite their very different physical mechanisms of growth and evolution.

Recently, Israeli researchers developed a theoretical model of cellular arrays that accounts for the properties shared by a large class of such structures and explains why systems of a very different nature — such as foams — have the same cellular characteristics.

(Jerusalem Dateline)

de Hirsch fund helps Israel

The Jewish Colonization Association (JCA) was the brain child of the financier and philanthropist Baron Maurice de Hirsch.

Born in Germany to a very wealthy, well-known family of German Jewish court bankers in 1831, de Hirsch devoted his life to enabling oppressed Jews to live in freedom and develop an infrastructure to provide continuing sustenance for themselves. He was particularly concerned with the plight of Jews in Eastern Europe and oriental countries and he gave a great deal of money to establish schools in the Near East.

The czarist government refused to accept two million pounds sterling from him to establish a modern Jewish educational system, to alleviate the miserable conditions of Russian Jewry. It was following this refusal that de Hirsch founded the JCA in London. He gave the association eight million pounds sterling ($14 million), which would be equivalent in today's terms to about two hundred million pounds ($340 million).

"In my opinion," de Hirsch wrote, "the possession of great wealth lays a duty upon the possessor. I consider myself only the temporary administrator of the wealth I have amassed and it is my duty to contribute in my own way to the relief of the suffering of those hard-pressed by fate. I am most decidedly against the old system of alms-giving, which only makes more beggars. I consider it the greatest problem in philanthropy to make human beings who are capable of work out of individuals who otherwise must become paupers, and in this way create useful members of society."

He was sceptical that there could be an autonomous entity in Palestine under Ottoman rule. It was not that de Hirsch did not have special feeling for the land of Israel, but that he was concerned for the security of Jews going there while the country was under Ottoman domination.

"The question is to help Russian Jews who have just been exiled, to find new countries where they can use their powers freely," he said. "They can bring into practice again the qualities they have inherited from their ancestors. They can become useful citizens of a free and secure country in which the rights of all inhabitants are equal.

"It is my firm conviction that new settlements should be scattered through different lands and spread over a large space, so that there should be no opportunity for social or religious rupture. I made a study of different countries and after careful examination I have become convinced that the Argentinian Republic, Canada and Australia, above all others, offer the surest guarantee for the accomplishment of the plan."

It was on the basis of his grand plan that the newly formed association purchased more than one and half million acres in Argentina, setting up agricultural settlements as well as taking care of the educational, religious and medical needs of the new immigrants.

A similar network of settlements followed in Brazil and the JCA then directed its efforts to help Jewish farmers in the Ukraine, Poland, Lithuania and Romania. In its foundation year, 1891, the association helped in the establishment of six settlements in Canada. After World War II these settlements helped to absorb Holocaust refugees and again in 1956 refugees from Hungary.

As already mentioned, de Hirsch was reluctant to influence refugees to settle in Palestine. However in 1899, three years after his death, funds from the JCA were made available to assist various agricultural villages in Palestine.

The JCA came to an agreement with Baron Rothschild to establish an Eretz Yisrael Commission. Through this commission the JCA took nine of Rothschild's agricultural settlements under its control, as well as setting up several new settlements. It was this co-operation that tied the JCA to the future of the Jewish state. Although the Association continued to fund projects outside the future Jewish state, more and more of the funds were directed to projects in Palestine. Following the riots in 1929, when many Jews were murdered, the JCA made available funds to reconstruct settlements destroyed in the riots including Beer Tuvia. Funds were also made available to drain the Hula swamp in the Upper Galilee and set up more new settlements.

Today the JCA directed nearly all its funds to Israel. Large grants are made to important educational and research institutions in Israel, including twenty-five agricultural and regional schools, the faculty of Agriculture of the Hebrew University in Rehovot and the world renowned Volcani Institute. The original fund established by de Hirsch enables the present association to maintain an annual budget of a million pounds ($1.7 million).

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A volunteer grandfather in Israel enjoys working in the kindergarten.

Seniors help juniors

When Eliyahu Givon retired, he suddenly found that time dragged by. A lifelong educator, Givon devised a program that has not only filled the void for thousands of senior citizens in Israel but has also been adopted worldwide.

"I was strolling by a local kindergarten one day," recalls Givon, "watching a nursery teacher and her assistant struggling to keep control of 35 preschoolers. It suddenly struck me how useful an extra pair of hands would be."

Thus the Savgan program was born (from the Hebrew sav, grandfather, and gan, kindergarten). The project was launched in 1982 in Upper Nazareth where Givon lives.

Grandfathers attend kindergarten as volunteer workers for four hours a day, four mornings a week. They tend the garden, lend a hand with general maintenance, and help the kindergarten teacher look after the children. The grandfathers also provide a male role model in an environment usually dominated by female teachers.

The Savgan project has been implemented by virtually every municipality in Israel. In addition, Givon has met in Upper Nazareth with delegations from over 50 countries wishing to adopt similar programs. "I don't know precisely how many of those countries subsequently did implement the program, but I did get some feedback from the people that visited me," says Givon, showing press cuttings from Costa Rica and the Philippines that talk of how the Savgan program has been successfully introduced there.

He stresses that implementing the program is not just a matter of placing a grandparent in a kindergarten. "We reject more than 50 percent of the people who apply," he claims. "Good grandparents must not only be able to tend a garden and do odd-job repairs around the kindergarten; they must also be sensitive to the children's needs and defer to the kindergarten teacher's requests."

Givon also stresses the importance of co-ordination between all the relevant authorities: the local municipality, Ministry of Education, social and welfare services, organizations for the elderly, national insurance and health authorities.

"Much of the work," says Boris Averbuch, 76, a volunteer grandfather in Upper Nazareth, "involves tying up children's shoelaces and washing their hands. It's wonderful to be in daily contact with the vibrancy of these three-year-olds."

Averbuch, who first started working in kindergartens 10 years ago when the program was inaugurated, immigrated to Israel 20 years ago from the former Soviet Union. Now more than half the three-year-olds in his nursery are new immigrants from ther former Soviet Union.

"It is very unhealthy for the elderly to sit around the house doing nothing," insists Givon, whose boyish smile and enthusiasm belie his seventy years. "Many of the grandparents in our program have told me that all their aches and pains clear up once they start working in the kindergarten."

(Jerusalem Dateline)

BGU health expert lends expertise to help out Russia

An Israeli expert in the economics of health and population programs has been asked by the World Bank to advise the Russian Ministry of Health on the formulation and implementation of health system reform.

Dr. Dov Chernihovsky of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev recently helped to design a framework for reorganizing Romania's health services. Two years ago, he participated in the World Bank's first economic mission to Czechoslovakia, the objective of which was to examine the reforms leading to the restructuring of the Czech economy into a market-based economy. His task was to explore the financial and institutional means of lessening the hardship, by devising a social and economic safety net for the transition from state control to a market economy. In previous assignments for the World Bank, Chernihovsky has conducted research on family planning programs in Indonesia and Colombia.

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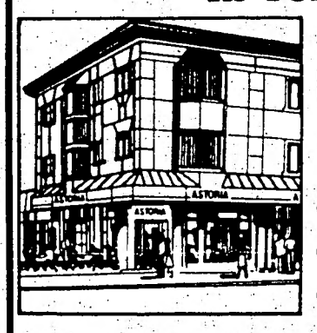
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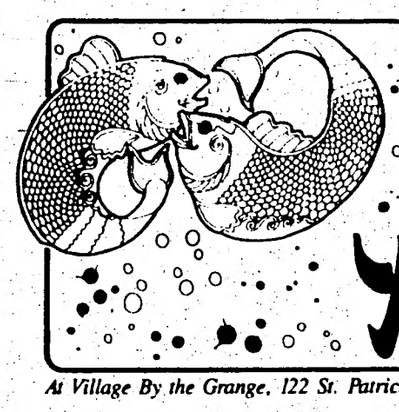

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Israeli violin maker Amnon Weinstein, at work in his Tel Aviv atelier.

Israeli violin maker turns out sweet music from his home

"Violins are like good wine: bitter and sharp when young, they eventually mature to become sweet and rounded," says internationally renowned violin maker Amnon Weinstein. "But their musical qualities peak after a certain time has elapsed. It varies from instrument to instrument."

Weinstein's Tel Aviv basement workshop is a place of pilgrimage for both local musicians and overseas guest stars who frequent Israel's concert halls. Israel has produced a number of top grade musicians over the past four decades, including virtuosos such as Yizhak Perlman, Pinhas Zuckerman, and Shlomo Mintz, who have achieved worldwide acclaim. Following a gap of roughly one generation, a new batch of Israeli string-instrument specialists is making its name internationally — and like their predecessors, many play violins or violas made in Amnon Weinstein's workshop.

The frugally furnished atelier is famous for its homey ambience, a reflection of Weinstein's most immediately obvious trait, his gregariousness. There is no waiting room — even the most important guests unassumingly perch on stools, as aspiring youngsters rub shoulders with the most revered orchestra members. The telephone rings incessantly. "Shimon Mintz popped in this afternoon for a chat and to check how his new viola is coming on," notes Weinstein somewhat matter-of-factly. "Half the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra passed through during the week."

The walls are lined by letters of thanks from satisfied customers, certificates from the most authoritative of institutes, and dozens of violins and violas in various stages of repair. As he spoke, 53-year-old Weinstein delicately carved a violin bass-bar (an internal strip of wood) with painstaking meticulousness. His favored tools are Japanese-produced, patented samurai knives. "I don't believe in machines. They save time, but at what cost?"

He uses only the finest European pine and maple woods grown at above 1,000 metres (for more consistent fibres). "Theoretically, you can mold a perfectly good violin from plastic, but the genuine sound would never be reproduced. Some violin makers try to perfectly reproduce classic instruments — complete with scuff marks, faded varnish, and other idiosyncracies — but I don't agree with that approach. A good musician puts his personality into his instrument. Whereas a young violin can be educated, an old violin educates the player. The sound reveals all to the trained ear."

I asked him to be more specific. "Here we have a problem — the vocabulary of language cannot possibly define the subtleties of sound. I have never met two musicians with the same taste."

Weinstein originally learned the trade from his father Moshe, a musician maker from Vilna who opened one of Tel Aviv's first ateliers 52 years ago, servicing the newly established Palestine Philharmonic Orchestra. "I would run between his legs as he worked," recalls Amnon with a laugh, his trademark drooping gray mustache complementing his expressive face.

In the early sixties, Weinstein spent three years in Italy, studying at the Cremona school for violin makers as one of five selected private students, under master craftsmen Pietro Sgarbotto, Ornati Giuseppe, and Garimberti Ferdinando. He later spent a year in France, working and studying with Etienne Vatelot. "The art of violin making has been developing since the early 1500s. So much accumulated knowledge cannot possibly be taught — it must be experienced first-hand.

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Victory against Greeks is stressed in the Torah

By RABBI AARON LEVINE

"In the days of Mattisyahu, the son of Yochanan, the High Priest, the Hasmonean, and his sons — when the wicked Greek kingdom rose up against Your people Israel to make them forget Your Torah and compel them to stray from the statutes of Your will — You in Your great mercy rose up for them in the time of their distress. You pleaded their cause, You judged their suit, and avenged their wrong. You delivered the strong into the hands of the weak, the many into the hands of the few, the impure into the hands of the pure, the wicked into the hands of the righteous, and the wanton into the hands of those that diligently studied Your Torah. For Yourself You made a great and holy Name in Your world, and for Your people Israel You performed a great victory and salvation at this very day. Thereafter, Your children came to the Holy place of Your house, cleansed Your temple, purified Your sanctuary, and kindled lights in Your holy courtyards. And then they established these eight days of Chanukah to give thanks and praise to Your great Name." (Daily Prayer Book)

We are accustomed to thinking that we celebrate Chanukah for eight days in order to remember the miracle, that oil which was sufficient to burn for only one day, burned for eight days. Is it not strange then that the addition of the *Al hanisim* prayer inserted in our daily *Shemoneh Esrei* and *Grace after Meals* does not even mention this miraculous fact? There is allusion to kindling lights in the Temple, but the eight-day miracle is nowhere to be found! It is rather the victorious battles of the Hasmoneans that are stressed; these seemingly constitute the miracle of our Chanukah celebrations.

In the Torah (Deuteronomy 20:5-8), we read that when battles were impending the officers of war were instructed to send home any man who has just built a house, planted a vineyard, engaged a wife or who was faint-hearted.

The following story, based on the above, is told about Rabbi Chaim Brisker. A group of his adherents once appeared before him totally uncomposed and visibly upset. "What caused you such distress?" enquired the rabbi. "Rabbi," they replied, "the *maskilim* (freethinkers) put on a play that mocked our Torah and our sages!" "How so?" enquired the rabbi. "Well, they were portraying a battle between the Jews and their enemies. The Jewish army started out with 8,002 soldiers. Each time the officer called out — 'What man is there who built a new house, planted a vineyard, engaged a new woman, is faint-hearted, as stated in the Torah verses,' — 2,000 men left the ranks of the army. They were left with only two soldiers. One was the Vilna Gaon, the other was the Shagas Aryeh. There was only one gun. As they faced the enemy, the Vilna Gaon took the gun and gave it to the Shagas Aryeh saying, "I give you the honor of firing the first shot." But the Shagas Aryeh returned it to the Vilna Gaon saying, "No, it is you who deserves that honor." At this point the curtain came down and the play ended. Rebbe, see how they make fun of our holy Torah!"

To their amazement, Rabbi Chaim Brisker excitedly exclaimed, "Gevaldig, (wonderful), a terrific play, but they left out the last scene. Had they continued you would have seen that these two great tzaddikim won the war."

The Jewish people, Israel, do not win battles with armies, nor with tanks, planes, military strategies, bombs, or scuds. As the Torah says, "Hashem is a Man of War . . . Hashem will fight for you. . . ." This we learned from all the biblical battles; this we learned from Chanukah and Purim; and we learned it as well from the most recent battles which Israel fought against its enemies, starting in 1948 and as recently as the confrontation with Saddam Hussein.

But God doesn't hand out victories for nothing, and not always are we privileged to witness His salvation. For reasons beyond our finite comprehension, coupled with our sins, there are times when we lose, and the Torah itself graphically describes the terrible consequences of these losses. And even when we win, we should never lose sight of the fact that we win because of God's intervening miracles on our behalf.

The verse says, "For the mitzvah is a candle, and Torah is light." The menorah that was lit permanently in the Temple; the *ner tamid* that burns eternally in our shul sanctuaries; the Chanukah menorah; — all represent the essence of Judaism, the observance of Torah and mitzvos. It is only these lights that keep us alive throughout our long and difficult *golus*; it is only these lights which will bring the ultimate redemption of klal Yisrael.

Certainly the major miracle of Chanukah was the victory of the battles with the Syrian-Greeks. But it wasn't necessary to elaborate in the *Al hanissim* prayer about the miracle of the oil which symbolized the reason for the victory. It was obvious to all in those days that battles were won because God was fighting for Israel. And it was obvious to all that He did so because of the *mesiras nefesh*, the self-sacrifice and dedication of a handful of pious Torah observing Jews, the Hasmoneans. It was they who battled the enemy who sought to destroy the light of Torah and the observance of mitzvos. The enemy wanted to "enlighten" Israel, but their "enlightenment" is darkness to klal Yisrael. The Hellenists deified the body and broght the curse of hedonism to the world. The Jews who were taught to defy the *neshama*, the soul, spread the light of Torah throughout the world.

This was the message behind the miracle of the Chanukah lights, a message that is very relevant today. For we are daily fighting the greatest enemy, as Rabbeinu Bachya explains to us in his monumental work *Chovos Halevovos* (Duties of the Heart):

"O man, know that the greatest enemy you have in the world is your [evil] inclination which is interwoven with the forces of your soul . . . He is your counsellor in all your movements . . . He lies in wait, watching your steps to lead you astray . . . You are asleep and do not heed him, but he is awake and contemplates you . . . He robes himself in the garb of friendship . . . but in fact he is shooting deadly arrows at you . . . The most powerful of his missiles which he hurls at you . . . is to raise in your mind doubts about truths you have accepted . . . in your faith and religion. . . . If you . . . follow his lead, he will not let you alone till he has destroyed you in both worlds . . . It is told of a pious man that he met people returning from war with spoils they had taken after a fierce battle. He said to them, "You have returned from a small conflict, prepare yourself for the great battle." "What is the great battle?" they asked him. He replied, "The war against the Evil Inclination and his armies. . . ."

As we light up our menorahs this Chanukah, as we peer into the flames of these holy candles, let the fire pierce and purify our souls, allowing us to internalize the real message of this holiday. Let us set aglow our homes with the warmth of true Yiddishkeit, Torah and mitzvah observance.

And in so doing, may we stem the tide of ignorance and assimilation that causes even the battle of the Hellenists to pale in the scope of its decimation of the ranks of Klal Yisrael!

Cactus plant flower used to fight urinary ailments

Capsules containing a powder made from the flower of a cactus plant are an alternative now being made available to men suffering from various urinary disturbances caused by an enlarged prostrate gland.

Prostrate enlargement (hypertrophy) causes urinary discomfort in 50 percent of men over the age of 50. If a tumor is the cause, it may require an operative procedure. Recently, however, urologists are concluding that surgery is a poor solution where there is no tumor. In a two-year study of 52 men, cactus capsules alleviated typical complaints such as the frequent and urgent need to urinate, especially at night.

Cactus flowers have been used for urinary ailments for centuries. The Opuntia ficus indica, however, is the only cactus flower species reported in the herbal literature to help prostrate problems. This species is grown very successfully in Israel.

Dan Palevitch, an agronomist at the Hebrew University Faculty of Agriculture and the Volcani Institute of Agricultural Research, discovered that the remedy is known in the folk medicine practiced in Sicily and South America. He urged Assutech, a Rehovot-based company that develops and markets medical nutritional products as well as herbal and medicinal products, to develop the capsules, which are sold in pharmacies, health food stores, and other outlets as a non-pharmaceutical product.

A preliminary clinical study on 27 subjects was conducted in Israel by Dr. Israel Levin, senior urology surgeon, Soroka Medical Centre, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. The patients were between the ages of 58 and 76. Patients using the capsules rated improvements — between 35 percent and 80 percent — with no side effects at all.

"The results show definite subjective improvements in discomfort and quality of life," said Levin. "We are now conducting a multi-centred study that will check to see if the subjective improvements are accompanied by objective improvements such as shrinkage of the prostrate gland."

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Prof. Hannah Ben-Bassat, head of experimental surgery at the Hadassah Medical School in Israel, works on new ways of growing skin.

Hadassah lab studying techniques to grow skin

Doctors have known for 50 years that the best bandages for severe burn victims are human skin. Patients with third-degree burns are routinely made into their own donors, with undamaged skin from other parts of the body grafted onto their wounds while they heal.

The problems begin, however, when a patient is burned over more than half of his body. In such patients — usually domestic or road accident victims, often alcoholics, or soldiers wounded in battle — there isn't enough uninjured skin to go around.

"Although surgeons successfully transplant human hearts, lungs, and kidneys, they have less success with human skin," says Hannah Ben-Bassat head of the experimental surgery laboratory at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem. "Skin is highly immunogenetic, and transplants from one person to another are always rejected."

Ben-Bassat and her team are among many researchers around the world working to find temporary skin replacements that will allow burn victims to heal. "Skin is made up of two parts," she explains. "The outer part, 5 percent of the whole body, is the epidermis. The 95 percent beneath it is the dermis. Together, dermis and epidermis form the largest, heaviest organ in man, with four vital functions: to protect underlying structures from damage and infection; to excrete waste products; to relay sensations such as heat, cold, and pain; and to regulate body temperature. It's the epidermis that so vigorously resists transplantation."

It was, therefore, ways of growing epidermis in culture that first received the primary focus. A method was developed in the United States 12 years ago, and is now practiced in laboratories throughout the world. The Hadassah laboratory has been using this technique to grow skin for the past five years.

"We take a very small piece of undamaged epidermis from the patient, and within a month can regenerate enough skin from it to cover the whole body — that is, grow it to extend over two square metres," says Ben-Bassat. "It's a good method as far as it goes. It enables doctors to give back to patients at least part of what they need — the epidermis, if not the dermis."

The dermis is not as rapidly rejected as the epidermis because it has virtually no cellular components. And even where the graft doesn't take permanently, it promotes wound healing for as long as it's in place.

Having proven the new technique in the laboratory, the Israeli team received Helsinki Commission permission to use it on patients with third-degree burns (that is, burns in which both dermis and epidermis are totally destroyed) on 80 percent of the body or more.

'The treatment has been used on two patients so far, in conjunction with other treatments," says Ben-Bassat. "Two is too small a number to claim a proven success, but both patients have healed well. We're optimistic about our method, and we're now looking at other ways to apply it — using it, for example, to peel injured skin off the body to prevent infection and promote healing."

(Jerusalem Dateline)

Empire changes hands

Empire Kosher Poultry, Inc., the world's largest kosher poultry processor, headquartered in Mifflintown, PA, last month changed ownership. A management-led group has acquired the company from Murray Katz, son of Empire's founder Joseph Katz. The buying group includes, in addition to current management, affiliates of Apollo Advisors, L.P., and TGV Partners.

"The decision to sell Empire Kosher was not made lightly," Katz said. "The Katz family has had a strong personal involvement in the operation of the business for over half a century, ever since my father, Joseph Katz, of blessed memory, founded the company in Liberty, NY with the vision of providing quality kosher foods to consumers wherever they lived."

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So far, circumstances have prevented the gathering of Israel's philatelic treasures under one roof, but the lack of a postal stamps and philatelic museum has always been felt: having laid the museum's cornerstone in 1983, its erection has been withheld due to lack of resources. Therefore, Israel Postal Authority, the Tel Aviv Municipality, the Tel Aviv Foundation and the Eretz Israel Museum, Tel Aviv, have decided to join forces in order to promote this important project and recruit the necessary resources, counting on Israel's friends both in-country and overseas.

The construction commenced on 1989 and was completed in 1991. The building stands now ready to house the museum.

The Israel Postal and Philatelic Museum will employ un-orthodox techniques of display, highlighting the linkage of a thematic concept to its sources of inspiration. Stamps are to be displayed side by side with relevant exhibits such as coins, archeological findings and landscape photographs.

Political upheavals used to discuss the availability of communication services in the Holy Land. The Israel Postal and Philatelic Museum's steering committee concluded that all periods during which a Jewish presence has been prevalent in the Holy Land, should be covered by the museum. Hence, clear-cut determination of the museum's main sections will be:

- Pre-philatelic letters and correspondence up to the mid-19th century;
- Foreign postal administrations in the Holy Land;

The Turkish post in the Holy Land;

- The British Mandate period;
- The "Transition Period" and the War of Independence; and
- The state of Israel stamps, naturally alloted a place of honor, displayed in their historical sequence.

The museum will be a centre of postal and philatelic research and activity. It will document chapters in the history of the Holy Land and the Jewish people throughout the ages.

The process of stamp production is to be minutely presented; temporary exhibitions of philatetic rarities from Israel and other countries will highlight various aspects of philately, and a reference library, available to all will enable valuable research. Other sections will be dedicated to thematic stamp displays, such as religions, nature and landscapes, archeology and Judaica.

The Israel world of philately takes pride in Judaica stamps, depicting religious symbols and objects, synagogues, portraits of prominent Jewish personalities in all walks of life and sites of significance in Jewish history. The Israeli stamp designers produced some series of beautiful sanctity-inspired stamps, dedicated to Jewish religious articles: the menorah, candle-sticks and benediction wine-goblet.

Countries other than Israel have also issued Judaica philately, and will be represented in the museum.

To mark the historic establishment of The Israel Postal and Philatelic Museum, the philatelic service of the Israel Postal Authority produced a limited edition of a special commemorative folder holding an imperforated and numbered issue of The Israel Postal and Philatelic Museum souvenir sheet. Proceeds from the sales of the folder went directly to the completion of the museum.

The philatelic service started an intensive effort to collect important postal material to be presented in future exhibitions. Many contributors from Israel and abroad had delivered their precious collections to the museum.

For more details about the museum and Israel philatelic service, please write Public Relations Dept., Israel Philatelic Service, Sderot Yerushalayim 12, 68021 Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel.

Nuclear waste studied

The feasibility of using geologically isolated pockets of water deep inside the earth as disposal sites for nuclear waste is being studied in Europe, aided by a refined method of dating groundwater developed at Israel's Weizmann Institute of Science.

The technique., introduced by Prof. Emanuel Mazor of the Institute's Department of Environmental Sciences and Energy Research, enables the experts to determine with greater certainty whether a given aquifer, or groundwater repository, is ancient or relatively recent. This distinction is critical in evaluating the safety of these sites as potential storage depots for nuclear waste.

Radioactive waste products of nuclear reactors are today stored on-site in metal protective containers, pending a permanent and safe solution to the disposal problem. An option being explored in Sweden and Switzerland is the use of geologically isolated pockets of groundwater trapped deep inside the earth. Located more than a kilometre underground, such reservoirs could be considered safe nuclear storage sites, as the water from them is unable to escape to the surface or to any other water channels.

The proof that the water is truly trapped lies in its age. An ancient water source is considered extremely stable since it has been contained within the same isolated rock strata for hundreds of thousands or even millions of years. By contrast, a relatively young aquifer, which has been recharged recently would be regarded as unstable and, therefore, an unsafe candidate for a nuclear disposal site.

In their efforts to evaluate the feasibility of various aquifers as potential disposal sites, authorities conducting studies in Sweden and Switzerland are applying the improved dating method introduced by Mazor.

For several years scientists have been attempting to evaluate the age of groundwater by measuring its concentration of helium-4. This naturally occurring product of uranium and thorium is found in rocks and dissolved by adjacent groundwater. The longer the water has been around, the greater the amount of helium it harvests from the rocks. Helium is thus a potentially powerful tool that can be used to date water ranging from 10,000 to many millions of years old.

The drawback of this method is that some of the helium in water is lost as the water ascends in the well, making it impossible to calculate the in-situ concentration of helium in the groundwater.

The Israeli professor developed a technique for determining this rate of gas loss by measuring the concentration of atmospheric noble gases present in the same groundwater sample. These gases (neon, argon, krypton, and xenon) are lost at the same rate as is helium. But unlike helium, they have a known initial concentration in groundwater. Thus, they can be used to calculate the amount of helium that escapes from or penetrates into groundwater due to various secondary processes. This permits a more reliable estimate of the concentration of helium at considerable depths, thereby greatly enhancing helium as a dating tool for groundwater.

Mazor's lab was the first to introduce and apply this refined method of dating groundwater, which has since been adopted by a number of research teams worldwide. It is particularly important in the area of paleoclimatology, where it is being applied to reconstruct a climatic history of the world.

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Traditional dishes were incorporated from other cultures

By LESYLE MICHLIN BORDEN

Wherever Jews have lived, they have either borrowed from or adapted to the cooking culture of their neighbors. They selected foods for their holiday feasts according to what was available. Over time, people have come to consider certain dishes "traditional," but the tradition keeps evolving because Jews keep moving to new areas. As a result, different foods are incorporated into the "tradition."

For instance, Ashkenazi Jews from Germany and Eastern Europe celebrated Chanukah by preparing potato pancakes (latkes) fried in oil. Given their northern climate, they usually served them with applesauce, since apples were abundant. They ate cucumbers at almost every meal, fresh and pickled. Since Chanukah was a special occasion, brisket roasted with onions and carrots was featured as well. When they emigrated to the United States, they took their food traditions with them.

If you follow these traditions, but want to enrich the old dishes with local ingredients, take advantage of the variety of unusual produce and flavors that abound throughout the Jews new neighborhood, North America. Make latkes. But serve them with a sauce that uses one of the East Coast's favorite crops — cranberries. Braise your brisket in freshly squeezed Florida orange juice instead of in water. You'll love the tang it adds to the already delicious flavor.

Round out your meal with a tasty Southwestern style cucumber salad enhanced by chopped chillie peppers, hot or mild, whichever you prefer. For dessert, serve a date cake whose flavor depends on Southern California dates, oranges, and almonds.

HOMEMADE CRANBERRY APPLE SAUCE

3 cups fresh (or frozen) cranberries
4 large apples, washed and cored
1 cup water
¾-1 cup sugar, depending on taste
1 tbsp. grated orange rind for garnish

Place cranberries, unpeeled apple chunks, and water in large saucepan. Bring to a boil, then cover, reduce heat and simmer until the apples are tender. Place in blender or food processor and chop until the sauce reaches the consistency you prefer. Place the sauce back into the cooking pan. Stir in the sugar, one quarter cup at a time. Taste after each addition so you don't make it too sweet. Heat, stirring, until the sugar melts. Serve at once or refrigerate until serving time.

To serve, garnish with grated orange rind.

Makes 5 cups.

BRISKET, A LA FLORIDA

3-4 pound flat cut brisket, trimmed
Garlic powder
Freshly ground black pepper
At least 1 litre orange juice
1 lb. carrots, peeled and cut into chunks
2 onions, thinly sliced
Salt to taste

Heat an electric fry pan to the hottest temperature. Sprinkle the fat side of the brisket with garlic powder and a generous amount of freshly ground pepper. Place the brisket, fat side down, into the prepared pan. Brown for about 10 minutes, even if the fat smokes. Season the lean side with more garlic powder and freshly ground pepper.

Using tongs (not a fork), turn the meat so it browns on the other side. Turn again in about 7 minutes. Add the carrot pieces and sliced onions. Cover with orange juice. Let it come to a boil, then cover and turn the heat down to a very low simmer.

Cook slowly, covered, adding more orange juice if necessary. Be careful not to let the juice cook out. After two hours of simmering turn the heat off and let the meat cool (may be refrigerated overnight) until it can be sliced easily.

Slice thinly, across the grain. Place the sliced meat back into the cooking liquid. Season with salt. Simmer for another hour, or until the meat is tender. Serve at once.

Serves 8.

SOUTHWESTERN FIESTA CUCUMBERS

4 medium cucumbers, peeled
Salt
4 tsp. finely chopped fresh (hot) chilies
2 tbsp. fresh lime juice
2 large cloves garlic, peeled and crushed (leave whole)
Freshly ground black pepper to taste

Cut the cucumbers in half lengthwise. Using a small spoon, scrape out the seeds. Cut the cucumbers into ¼-inch slices.

Place the prepared slices in a bowl. Season with salt, gently stirring to distribute the salt evenly. Let them stand at room temperature for 30 minutes. Drain off the accumulated liquid.

Put the prepared cucumbers into an attractive serving bowl. Add the chilies, lime juice, and garlic. Toss well. Cover and let stand for at least one hour to allow the flavors to blend. Remove the garlic cloves before serving.

Serves 8.

CALIFORNIA DESERT DATE CAKE

1 cup chopped dates
1 cup water
½ tsp. baking soda
½ cup parve margarine or mild tasting salad oil
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1½ cups unbleached flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tbsp. grated orange rind
¼ tsp. salt
1 tsp. pure vanilla extract
Date frosting

Place dates in a bowl. Bring 1 cup water to a boil in a small saucepan. Add the soda. Stir until the soda dissolves. Pour the mixture over the dates. Set aside until cool. Drain, reserving all the liquid.

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9-inch square baking pan.

In a medium mixing bowl, cream margarine (or oil) and sugar. Add the eggs, one at a time, and beat well. In a small bowl, combine the flour with the baking powder, orange rind, and salt. Add this to the creamed mixture alternately with the reserved date water. Stir in the dates and vanilla. Bake for 40 minutes, or until a wooden pick comes out clean when inserted into the cake. Cool thoroughly. Frost with Date Nut Frosting.

Serves 9.

DATE NUT FROSTING

1 cup water
½ cup brown sugar
½ cup white sugar
½ cup finely chopped dates
½ cup parve margarine
½ cup slivered almonds
1 tbsp. grated orange rind

In a medium saucepan, boil together the water and the 2 sugars for 10 minutes. Add the dates, margarine, and nuts. Continue cooking until the frosting is thick. Strain the orange rinds. Cool. Spread over the cooled date cake.

Chanukah Greetings

Bratislava Jew helps countrymen

By CYNTHIA GASNER

Daniela Kaufman was born in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, 31 years ago. Her family fled to Belgium in 1968 when the Russians occupied Czechoslovakia, because her parents wanted their children to live as free Jews.

Twenty-five years later, Daniela, with her husband David and their two young sons, returned to Slovak to teach Jews, who had not been allowed to practise their religion for a quarter of a century, about Judaism. (Slovakia will gain its independence when Czechoslovakia splits next year.)

On a recent visit to Toronto, Daniela told *The CJN* that she had wanted to visit her roots in Bratislava for some time. A Toronto philanthropist who had visited his native Czechoslovakia approached the Kaufmans with an offer to teach in Czechoslovakia. He told the Kaufmans that members of the Bratislava Jewish community had begged him to send back teachers who could help them discover their Jewish heritage.

Six months ago, the Kaufmans accepted an open ticket to Bratislava. "To me," says Daniela, "it has been a very moving time — I feel as though I am going full circle." Recently, the Kaufmans returned to Toronto to have their third child — a girl. They returned to Slovakia in November.

"My family fled to be able to give my brother and me a Jewish future and now I am grateful that I can give this gift back to the Jewish community." Daniela notes that there are more than 2,000 Jews in Bratislava. The Kaufmans also teach in Glanta (50 km from Bratislava) and Nove Zamky (80 km from Bratislava).

She reports that Bratislava was once a thriving Jewish community and a centre for Jewish scholarship which slowly disintegrated after World War II. Under the Communist regime, attending synagogue or any involvement in organized Jewish life was not allowed. Intermarriage is now rampant.

The Kaufmans have established numerous teaching and lifestyle programs for the Jews of Czechoslovakia, who have been reaching out for more and more information about Judaism. They were warmly welcomed by an enthusiastic and inquisitive group of people who echoed the message, "We know we are Jewish but we don't know much about it."

David explains that when they arrived, there was a weekly Hebrew language class and a monthly political/social meeting. "We organized weekly classes on subjects dealing with Jewish philosophy and theology which was very well attended by students from 12 years to 80 years old.

"When we organize on Oneg Shabbat, we have to bring in the challah, wine and gefilte fish from Vienna," adds Daniela. "The members of the community participate in Kiddush, Hamotzi and various other rituals and we explain the mitzvot and customs — some participate for the first time."

The programs are delivered in English, which many of the younger people speak. Daniela translates into Slovak for the others. The Kaufmans have recruited Slovak Jewish students to participate in an on-the-job teacher training program.

Shabbat meals at the Kaufmans, with spirited singing and Torah discussions, have become popular. "Often, we have 10 to 20 guests for Shabbat. Parents hear from their children about their experience and insist on coming for Shabbat as well."

David was born in New York. The couple met in Belgium where David's father, Herbert Kaufman, was a concert violinist. David, who had received a degree in performing art and studied social work and psychology in Rochester, N.Y., was in Belgium studying classical guitar at the Conservatory of Music.

Daniela immigrated to Toronto in 1983. She is an artist who works primarily with silk painting. She became well-known in the Toronto area for her works on Judaic themes.

In 1985, David, who was not observant, spent a summer in a Jerusalem Fellowship program of Aish HaTorah in Israel. He came to Toronto to continue his studies at Aish HaTorah and the Bobover yeshiva. Daniela also became involved with Aish and they married in 1986.

"Aish HaTorah's philosophy is that all Jews are responsible for each other," says Daniela. "I am very pleased to be able to give back what I received."

When they return to Slovakia, the Kaufmans will expand their services and educational programs. They operate an after-school Hebrew program for children and plan to open a full-time day school program in the near future.

She notes that many Jews who hid the fact that they are Jewish, are now coming forward. "We are trying to make their lives more meaningful and relevant."

David says that "as with all programs, monies are required to continue our work. This requires fundraising." Tourists who come to visit the Bratislava grave of the great rabbinic scholar the Chatam Sofer, who had one of the largest yeshivas since Talmudic times, become so emotionally involved with what the Kaufmans are doing that on their return home, they have sent chumashim, siddurim, tallesim and donations.

Anyone interested in supporting the project in Bratislava (it is tax deductible) or to receive more information, call (416) 785-5899, write to the Canadian Foundation for Education and Welfare, 2939 Bathurst St., Toronto, Ont. M6B 2B2 or fax Bratislava, 011-42-7-311106.

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Israeli doctor Shimon Rosenheck and his patient Prof. Moshe Davis discuss treatment for cardiac arrhythmia.

Cardiac care makes advances in Israel

Over 50 patients with irregular heartbeats have been treated — 90 percent of them successfully — in Israel during the past year with a new radio-wave treatment. Another three cardiac arrhythmia patients, unsuited to the new treatment, have had defibrillation devices implanted: the brain and battery of the device nestling under the skin and muscle on the stomach wall; the cables inserted into the shoulder and threaded through the veins to the heart; and a patch over the heart enlarging the surface that receives the energy.

"Cardiac arrhythmia affects one percent of the population," says Dr. Shimon Rosenheck, who, as head of The Cardiac Care Unit's Electrophysiology (EPS) Laboratory at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem, is the man who administers radio-wave therapy and implants the devices.

The disorder has become a special branch of cardiology, with the majority of arrhythmia patients suffering the benign type. Usually inborn, it becomes evident in the teen years — but it can show up at birth or remain undetected until the age of 70 or more.

Benign cardiac arrhythmia is caused by a faulty electrical connection between the heart's upper and lower chambers. The electric current that should pass from one to the other becomes a circuit, and the pumping of blood becomes very rapid and sometimes inefficient.

"A single substrate in the heart causes the defect," says Rosenheck. "Otherwise, the heart is normal — although the rapid pumping of the upper chambers will cause it to deteriorate."

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Radio-waves used on patients

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doctors call benign cardiac arrhythmia. "By benign they mean it's unlikely to kill me," she says. "But it's far from benign to live like this. I can lose consciousness at any time and without warning. I was a teacher, but I gave up my job because I didn't feel capable of caring for children like this. I don't drive anymore, and I'm anxious when I have to leave the house on my own."

Until three years ago, three types of treatment were available for benign cardiac arrhythmia — none of them totally satisfactory. Long-term drug therapy was only partially effective and had unpleasant side effects; open-heart surgery was drastic, risky, and not always successful; and implantation of a peacemaker was akin to using a sledgehammer on a pane of glass.

Radio-wave therapy offers a fourth choice: disconnecting the electrical connection. Rosenheck locates the malfunction on the heart muscle — usually one to two millimetres in size — and applies a catheter connected to a radio-frequency generator. "With this very gentle energy, we cauterize the section of heart muscle causing the malfunction, thus neutralizing it," he says. "Because the energy is slow, the procedure is completely safe. Our patients are walking around within eight hours."

Of the 53 patients who have received this treatment at the Hadassah Medical Centre since June 1991, nine out of every ten are totally cured. In the unsuccessful 10 percent, the procedure was either partially effective or it succeeded when repeated, or the malfunction lay too deep for the gentle current to work.

"Naturally, we're very pleased with our results," says Rosenheck. "We also see this cure for benign arrhythmia as a first step to developing a successful treatment for the severe, life-threatening form."

Severe cardiac arrhythmia occurs in patients with heart disease. Moshe David, 76, with a history of coronary artery disease, a major heart attack, and cardiac bypass surgery, is a typical example. "An arrhythmia attack differs from a heart attack," he says. "With a heart attack, it's as if the lights suddenly go out. With arrhythmia it's like lightning striking — and, like lightning, you never know when it's going to strike."

"Severe cardiac arrhythmia originates in the heart's lower chambers," says Rosenheck. "The fast, irregular twitching of the heart muscle fibers affecting the lower chambers can kill, because fast, weak heartbeats pump little or no blood into the circulation."

In severe cardiac arrhythmia patients, EPS is used as a diagnostic procedure rather than as a cure. "Usually the malfunction is too large, deep, and irregular for radio-wave treatment — unlike the tiny inborn faults we correct," says Rosenheck.

The most reliable treatment today for severe cardiac arrhythmia is the implantable defibrillation device. Developed by Israeli physican M. Mirowsky, working in the United States at Mount Sinai Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, the first implant was available in 1980 after a decade of work. Today's third-generation model not only detects any rise in heartbeat, but it distinguishes between a normal increase — say, from exercise — and in abnormal one, when it must take rapid action.

When the device identifies a raised heartbeat as abnormal, it regulates it either by pacing it out or by delivering a mild electric shock — acting so fast that all the patient experiences is a mild dizziness.

"The major technical problem with the device is miniaturizing the battery," explains Rosenheck. "The 6.5-volt battery that powers it contains a condenser charged to give 500 shocks. This makes it bulky, necessitating its implant in the stomach."

The stomach as a location, however, is a vast improvement over the siting of the first-generation devices. That involved opening the chest and placing the device next to the heart — with all the attendant risks. Ultimately Rosenheck believes the device will be small enough to be inserted into the shoulder.

"There's no doubt that the technical problems will be resolved quite soon," he says. "The financial problems present greater difficulty. The device costs $24,000 and must be replaced every five years. Fortunately, only a handful of Israel's estimated 100,000 cardiac arrhythmia sufferers need it, but as many as 10,000 of them live lives severely circumscribed by the twitching of their heart-muscle fibers."

In an ideal world, he continues, all arrhythmia sufferers would have these implants. "They not only control the fibrillating muscle fiber, they also provide diagnostic data," he explains. "If we had the resources, financial and physical, we could implant a limited device in everyone at risk. When the device showed an arrhythmia incident, it would be replaced with the full diagnosis and treatment unit. That way, we could virtually prevent death from arrhythmia. It's the way of the future — but we first have to identify all those subject to arrhythmia and then find a way to fund the units and their implantation."

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DNA analysis improvement noted

A new technique developed at Israel's Weizmann Institute may greatly improve the efficiency of detailed analyses of DNA, the genetic material determining the operation of all living organisms.

Because such procedures are now time-consuming and expensive, this advance may significantly lower the cost of the multi-billion-dollar Human Genome Project co-ordinated by the U.S. National Institute and other agencies. The project is aimed at mapping all human chromosomes and deciphering the complete human genome — the total DNA content of human cells — within the next 10 to 15 years.

DNA analysis, known as sequencing, involves determining the order of the four types of DNA bases — the unique DNA building blocks — thousands of which are strung together in a gene. This is usually performed with the aid of electrophoresis, a process by which DNA samples are moved through a gel under the influence of an electric field, thereby separating various DNA fragments according to size. However, fragments composed of over several hundred bases do not separate well enough to be distinguished.

Levy Ulanovsky of the Institute's Department of Structural Biology has found that by binding the protein streptavidin to one end of a single-stranded DNA molecule before electrophoresis, the distance between one fragment on the gel and its neighbor is increased by up to 30-fold. This is expected to enable greater resolution in the sequence readings; hence longer fragments could be analyzed in a single run, while the cost of each run and the DNA preparation involved would remain the same.

The human genome contains around three billion bases, and the current cost of sequencing ranges from $1 to $5 per base, depending on the detection method used. Ulanovsky's technique may lower the cost of sequencing severalfold.

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Women gather for prayers

By FRANCES KRAFT

For the past dozen years, a group of women, led by scholar Norma Joseph, has gathered once a month to pray in a Montreal synagogue. The women's prayer group, one of a very small number in Canada, represents a phenomenon which began in the mid-1970s.

The issue of women taking a more active role in ritual observance is still a contentious one, especially in Orthodox circles. "People take time to adjust to new ideas. It's a very difficult road," says Norma Joseph, scholar and Orthodox Jewish feminist.

According to the Shulchan Aruch, a woman can hold or kiss the Torah at any time of her life cycle, Joseph told *The CJN*. The belief that women are prohibited from touching the Torah derives from northern Germany, where it was customary in the medieval era for some women to refrain from entering the synagogue when they were menstruating, she explained.

Aliyot are not permitted to Orthodox women, Joseph said, but they can read from the Torah. In Joseph's prayer group, when women are called to the Torah, they recite a variation of the traditional men's blessing for what Joseph calls "a learning aliyah."

Joseph explained that her prayer group is not a minyan, although there are similar prayer groups that are called minyanim. According to halachic law, women cannot be counted in a minyan (prayer quorum with a minimum of 10 men), nor can they have aliyot.

Joseph hopes that some day women will be allowed to have aliyot. "There can be incredible creativity in applying the law," she said, adding that there are difficulties and legal complications that would have to be overcome. For women to be included in a minyan, the legal obstacles are even more complicated.

Part of the problem which led to the need for change is that women have been left with feelings of invisibility and irrelevancy, explained Joseph.

Language, an important issue for Jewish feminists, is one example. Feminists who are unhappy with constant references to God as a male entity have sought alternatives, either by avoiding pronouns altogether or by rotating female and male images.

Language is "tricky," according to Rabbi Wayne Allen, a member of the Union for Traditional Judaism. "We all recognize God as being neither male nor female. It's a quirk of Hebrew language that there is no neuter gender, and the unknown is referred to as male."

As rabbi of a Conservative congregation, Rabbi Allen has struggled with the issue of fairness to women. Citing several instances of "unfairness" to men, women and children in Jewish law, Rabbi Allen concludes that "Judaism has to be understood on its own terms. When you impose the fairness principle without an understanding of Judaism, there will always be aspects of Judaism that some Jews consider unfair. Is the object of Conservative Judaism to satisfy all its constituents or to stand by its principles?"

Rabbi Allen is not totally unsympathetic to Jewish feminists. "If the idea of inclusive language is to suggest that Judaism should be sensitive to women's concerns, I wholeheartedly agree," he said. "I don't disagree with the principle. It's the application I would take issue with."

At his synagogue, Beth Tikvah, those given aliyot are called to the Torah using both their father's and mother's names instead of just their father's. "It doesn't do any harm to Jewish law to do that," said Rabbi Allen.

A responsum written by Rabbi Allen for the Union of Traditional Judaism four years ago states that egalitarian services are prohibited, leading to the ironic result for traditional Conservative women desiring the fullest participation that they must pray separately from their male counterparts.

Although Joseph says that "certainly the Orthodox world has been the most unwilling to concede the need for change," she points out that change has been a long time coming in the Reform movement as well. "In 1846 they said that men and women were equal. The first woman [Reform] rabbi wasn't ordained until 1972 and it's only now that a prayerbook with more of a female presence is being developed." The Reconstructionist movement came up with "the only gender-neutral prayerbook available right now" in 1988, said Rabbi Larry Pinsker.

"This is what's important to me," says Joseph. "I am a Jew. It's vitally important to me that I spend my life as a living, learning Jew. Nobody wants to change the prayer so radically that it's not what my great-grandmother said."

"[Women's prayer groups are] not completely satisfactory. Some women want to have an aliyah in the sanctuary. It's hard on some women who have gotten used to their own expertise at prayer and they can't participate in their son's bar mitzvah. We find the ritual lifestyle fulfilling. We don't want to walk away. I see myself as a practising Jew struggling to find a place for myself, but still feeling my place is in the community."

Chanukah meals are a family time

By RICHARD AMSTER

Sometimes, one of the easiest, in addition to traditional, ways to get together and spend time with close friends or family at Chanukah is over a meal.

When its the warmth and enjoyment of their company you want, the most relaxing and enjoyable setting is often your own home. There are no hassels, lines, distractions, there is no rush, and the food is always good. When friends get together its a natural for everyone to help cut, and even the dishes don't seem a problem.

I have included below a menu for a Chanukah supper. Since enjoyment is the key here, most of the items can be prepared in part or completely in advance.

The pound cake is from Rose Levy Beranbaum, *The Cake Bible*, and is it ever good.

Chanukah Supper (serves 5)
Citrus and apple fruit salad
Bagels, cream cheese, onions and tomatoes
Vegetarian casserole
Zucchini, carrot and potato latkes
Deluxe double vanilla pound cake with sweetened whipped cream
Coffee with servings of sambucca

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CITRUS AND APPLE FRUIT SALAD

2 oranges
2 grapefruit
1 small can, drained mandarin oranges
1 lemon juice
2 red apples
1 kiwi fruit

Peel the oranges and grapefruit, removing as much of the membrane as possible. Using aa very sharp knife remove individual sections from the whole fruit by slicing away the membrane that separates the sections. Cut these pieces into halves and add to a serving bowl.

Add the drained mandarin orange pieces to the serving bowl. Quarter the apples, core each piece and cut into small pieces; add to the serving bowl. Mix the lemon juice and mandarin orange juice, and pour over the fruit.

Skin the kiwi, cut in half lengthwise, and cut into thin slices; add these to the fruit salad as a garnish.

VEGETARIAN CASSEROLE

5 medium sized baked potatoes
2 onions, sliced
1 green pepper, diced
2 tomatoes, diced
Salt, pepper, to taste
3 eggs
1½ cups cream, heavy or light
½ lb. grated Swiss cheese
1 jar picante sauce

Bake the potatoes in advance and allow to cool. Saute the onionsand peppers, and when the onions are just strating to turn brown, add the tomato. Saute for just a minute more and remove from the heat.

Cut the potatoes into bits sized pieces (skin on) and add to a prepared casserole pan. Add the onion mixture on top of the potatoes and the cheese on top of the onions, up to this point, the casserole can be prepared in advance.

Combine the eggs and the cream, season, and pour over the vegetable mixture.

Bake in a 350 degree oven until firm, about 20 minutes. Serve with the Picante sauce.

DELUXE DOUBLE VANILLA CAKE

3 tbsps. milk
3 large eggs
1½ tsps. vanilla extract
1 split, 1 lengthwise vanilla bean
1½ cups sifted cake flour
¾ cup sugar
¾ tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
13 tbsps. softened, sweet butter

Place the vanilla bean in a saucepan with the milk and scald the milk. Cover the pan and remove from the heat and allow to cool. Remove the bean and scrape the biack grain into the milk. Reserve the bean and use it to flavor sugar for another use.

In a medium bowl, combine the milk, eggs, and vanilla and just lightly combine.

Combine the dry ingredients in a mixing bowl and mix on low speed for about 30 seconds just to combine. Add the butter and half of the egg mixture. Mix on low speed until the dry ingredients are moistened. Increase to medium speed and dry for 1 minute.

Scrape down the sides of the bowl and add the remaining egg mixture in two batches, mixing for 20 seconds between each addition.

Scrape the batter into a greased and floured 4 cup loaf pan, and bake in a pre-heated 350 degree oven for 55-60 minutes. The cake is done when a tester comes out clean. Cover the cake with buttered foil after 30 minutes in the oven to prevent overbrowning.

Let the cake cool in the pan for 10 minutes, and then remove to a wire rack. Wrap air tight after the cake has cooled completely.

Serve with a dulop of slightly whipped cream.

ZUCCHINI POTATO AND CARROT LATKES

2 lbs. grated zucchini, skin on
2 large potatoes peeled and grated and drained
2 carrots, peeled and grated
1 onion, grated
2-3 eggs
Salt and pepper to taste
½-1 cup flour
½ tsp. paprika
Vegetable oil for frying

Combine all of the above ingredients in a large bowl and stir to mix well. Add more flour in order to adjust the consistency of the batter.

Heat the oil in a large skillet, and when hot, spoon the batter into the oil and fry until brown on both sides. Remove from the pan, drain on paper towels and serve hot with applesauce.

Chanukah Greetings

Jews linked to Poland's history

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

In the story of Chanukah, military action takes centre stage but in the ghetto and throughout World War II, there were other heroic actions, says Halina Nelken, a professor of Art History who recently published a book *Images of a Lost World: Jewish Motifs in Polish Painting 1770-1945* (I. B. Tauris & Co. Ltd., London England, distributed in the United States and Canada by St. Martin's Press, New York, 144 pages).

Born in Cracow, the art historian, who survived eight concentration camps including Plaszow, Auschwitz and Ravensbruck, told *The CJN* that the true heroic action is that "each of us fought to preserve our dignity and our values."

She spoke of the war years when the devastated Jews formed orphanages, hospitals and clandestine schools and took care of the elderly, sick and those alone. "There were no institutions yet there were concerts, poetry reading, singing — these were the heroes. This was our battle for our humanity. For those who were good — goodness of heart — this could not be destroyed."

After returning to Cracow in 1945, Nelken finished high school and studied at the Jagiellonian University, where she obtained a degree in the History of Art and Philosophy. She worked at the National Museum in Cracow as a curator in the paintings gallery.

She left Poland in 1958 to work at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna, then at the Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University. Nelken, who lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts, has written several books and scholarly publications on art and culture in Polish, English and German.

The professor introduced a course on Polish art and history from the eighteenth to the twentieth century and her many years' research in Poland into Jewish motifs in Polish art resulted in the first ever exhibition on this subject in 1966 at Brandeis University.

The 250 works of art, many of them reproduced in color, show how, from 1770 to 1945, major Polish artists depicted Jews as familiar figures integrated into the Polish landscape. By the mid seventeenth century, more than half of world Jewry lived within the boundaries of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.

"These pictures of Polish Jews at work, study or prayer, in patriotic demonstrations and national uprisings, are today invaluable documents of a unique society, forever lost," notes Prof. Antony Polonsky, the president of the Institute for Polish-Jewish studies at Oxford University which was associated in the publication of the book.

Devoted to the Jews of Poland as seen by Polish artists who themselves were not Jewish, the book is a panorama of the different social classes according to their degree of wealth or poverty and their profession or trade or lack or it. In their religious beliefs they were divided into Orthodox, Chessidim and the Enlightened.

This Polish art is one of the most valuable sources of the history of the Jews of Poland and a unique view of their life, their position and role in society. The topics are discussed in regional and political dimensions — Lithuania-Wilno, Congress Kingdom-Warsaw, Galicia-Cracow, along with Polish towns, villages and shtetles — and presented chronologically, as far as this is possible for a turbulent century, when political and cultural events overlapped.

Beginning with drawings and etchings by Jean-Pierre Norblin de la Gourdaine (1745-1830), a Frenchman who initiated the national school of Polish painting, the book is a treasure of images that record history to World War II by artists Efraim Mandelbaum, Felicjan Szczesny Kowarski and Bronislaw Wojciech Linke.

This impressive collection of works of art and together with Nelken's historical descriptions placed in their artistic, social and political context, form an invaluable document and visual evidence of an era in Jewish history that is lost forever, save for pieces of art. Her traumatic youth has given her a sensitive prism of understanding of the civilization of Polish Jewry.

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Animals thrill blind children at petting zoo

Blind children from all over Israel flock to the petting zoo created especially for them in the animal park at Abu Kabir, just a few minutes outside Tel Aviv.

The park, part of a large network of animal and nature parks established by the Society for the Portection of Nature in Israel, has been in Abu Kabir since 1953, but the petting zoo, one of a few in the world, was opened only two years ago.

The idea for the petting zoo came to park director Chezi Avivi when he served as a visiting teacher in an eighth-grade classroom several yeara ago. He showed the students several birds, and a blind girl in the room asked if she could touch one of the birds in order to "see" it.

He invited her to the front of the classroom to touch the bird, and she exclaimed, "I didn't know birds only have two feet!" She had thought that birds, like dogs and cats, all had four legs.

"When I came to Abu Kabir," Avivi said, "I decided to open a corner of the park for a petting zoo, where children could 'see' with their hands." The petting zoo features a number of different animals, such as rabbits, tortoises, chicks, hedgehogs, doves, hamsters, and barn owls. In addition to the identification signs in Hebrew, Braille signs are also provided.

Blind school children from around the country are regular visitors to the animal park at Abu Kabir, along with other visitors, who number 150-200 every weekday. While the petting zoo is available to all, special preference is given to the blind and very young children. Other visitors have the option of enjoying the numerous mammals, birds, snakes, and fish that abound in the rest of the animal park, as well as the adjacent botanical garden.

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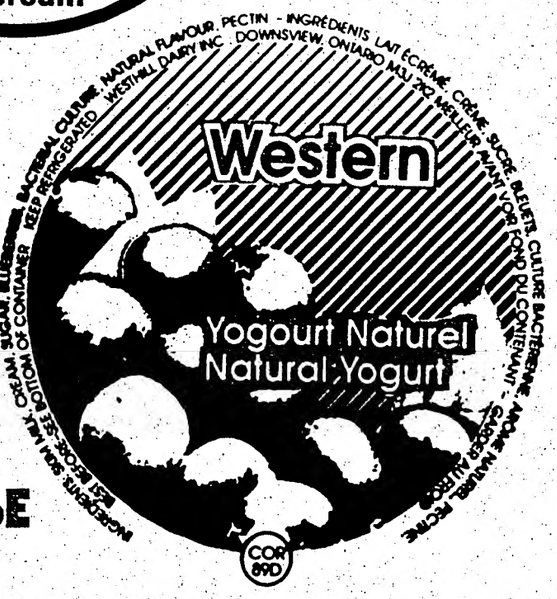

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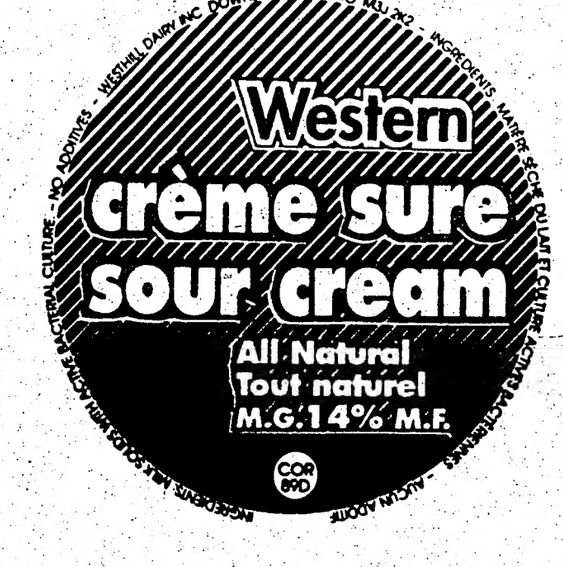

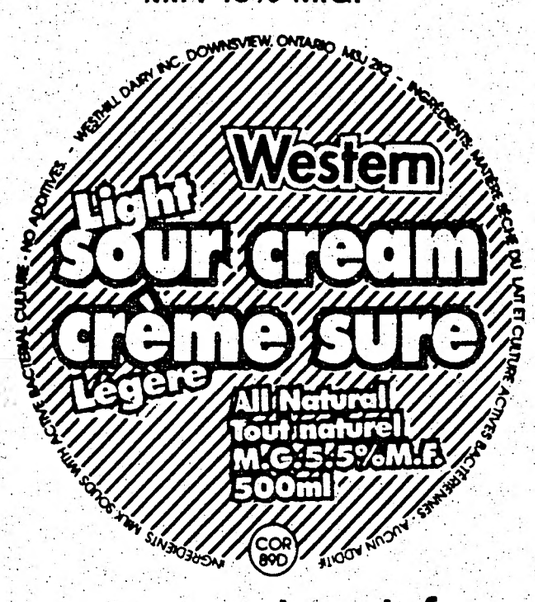

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